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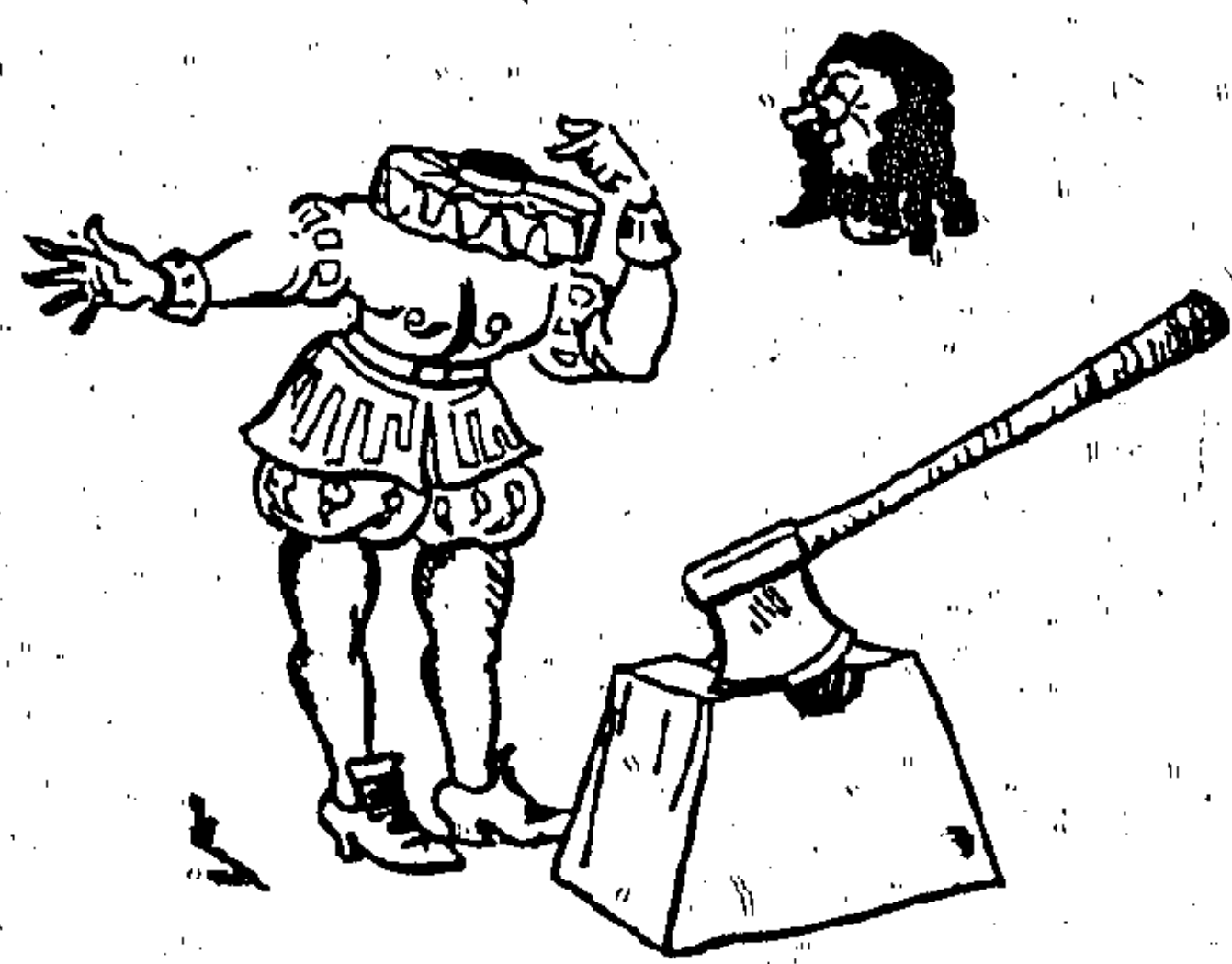
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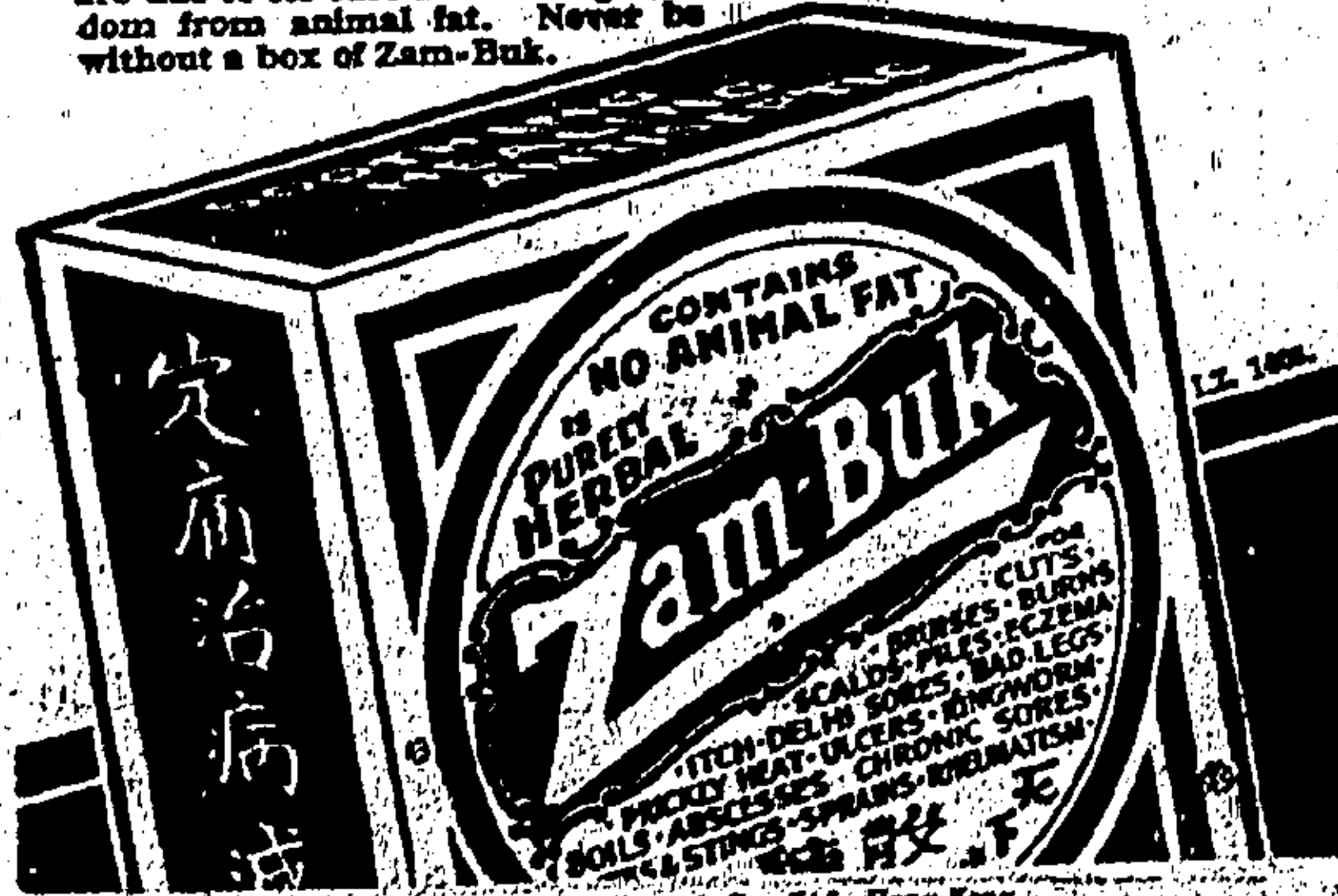
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"Please excuse Willie for being off this morning as he has very bad tonsils and had to turn back home for them. He won't need to turn back for them after next week, for the doctor is taking them away then."

The little boy was playing ball in the garden with a companion. His father went out to see how the game was progressing.

"Tommy," he said, "I hope you are not letting the ball go on my flowerbed."

"No, daddy," came the reply, "we're trying not to; but when it does, it's a goal!"

It is said that Gibbon and a French doctor were once rivals for the hand of a lady.

Impatient at Gibbon's occupying so much of her attention, the doctor said to him, "When she is made ill by your twaddle I will cure her."

Drawing himself up, Gibbon replied, "When she is dead from your prescriptions I will immortalize her."

"Try cleaning your own boots," Mr. Registrar Friend recently advised a witness in the Clerkenwell County Court.

Without wishing to encourage judicial excursions into politics, I think Mr. Registrar Friend's advice is good. Let Comrade Bull stop licking the boots of all and sundry, and clean that fine strong new pair that he needs so badly.

AUSTRIAN CHANCELLOR AT PRAGUE

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Prague, Jan. 18.

The Austrian Chancellor, Schuschnigg arrived here on Thursday afternoon for a visit which it is widely believed will mark the beginning of a new orientation in the Austrian foreign policy towards a closer co-operation with the Little Entente. The Czech papers were almost lyrical in welcoming the Austrian statesman; the semi-official "Prager Presse" saying "that the forthcoming discussions are bound to confirm the conviction of the good provided to Czechoslovakia with Austria as neighbour wherefore it is absolutely necessary to come to a complete understanding with this neighbour."

"The Czech Government," the paper continues, "is willing to examine all suggestions which may be made and for its own part may make suggestions for regulating the conditions in the Danubian basin. Czechoslovakia adheres to the principle of equality of all nations and will not oppose any states which are endeavouring to attain this equality. She will however oppose any political adventures as well as any attempts to put back directly or indirectly the wheel of fate to the order of things which has had its day in the Danubian basin." This obviously is meant to throw cold water on the aspirations of the Austrian monarchist circles in which the Vice-Chancellor, Prince Starhemberg, is one of the leading lights.

YESTERDAY'S QUOTATIONS

T.T. ON LONDON.—1/3 id. (nom).

T.T. ON NEW YORK.—32.1/16

NEGUS READY FOR PEACE

Military Situation Reviewed

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Berlin, Jan. 18.

Hailie Selassie in an interview accorded the correspondent of a German news agency at his headquarters at Dessau, reaffirmed his readiness to make "an honourable peace which guaranteed the independence and sovereignty of Abyssinia, notwithstanding the fact that our armies are victorious or undefeated." Declaring his intention to remain at headquarters on the northern front till the outbreak of the long rainy season, the Emperor said he expected by that time the League of Nations would be in a position to put forward new peace proposals which would enable Abyssinia to withdraw honourably from the war resulting from Italian aggression, providing no decision had been reached by the force of arms in the meantime.

Turning to the military situation, the Emperor said that the early rains, on the northern front, was all to the advantage of the Abyssinians, whose soldiers now being on a more level footing with the Italians since owing to the terrible condition of the roads, the latter could no longer employ many modern and technical weapons.

BATTLE NEAR DOLO

For this reason large scale operations on the part of the Italians would be impossible for the next few months. On the southern front, continued the Emperor, the battle near Dolo which Ras Desta began on a wide front on January 8, was still in progress. This engagement had brought the Abyssinian troops considerable gains of ground, as well as much captured war material amongst which were several tanks, 50 machine guns, over one hundred miles of territory, and many lorries. Two captured Italian tanks manned by Abyssinians were used against their former owners for the first time in this battle.

The Italians, said the Emperor, were putting up an extremely stubborn defence making a number of counter-attacks with the co-operation of bombing planes. They were concentrating their efforts on advancing through the province of Bale, and for this purpose had drawn up considerable reinforcements from the northern front, which was a further reason why no important action was expected there for the present.

AIR ATTACK

In the Emperor's view the air attack on Ualdia on Wednesday was primarily meant for him, since the Italians were under the impression he had already arrived at this town on his journey to the northern front. The Negus stressed that half the town of 10,000 inhabitants, had been burned down in consequence of this bombardment, which had resulted in many victims among the population and the Red Cross field hospital stationed there.

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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—St. Peter's Chair at Rome. St. Prisca, V.M.

Auctions.—Toys, at Lammert's Hong Kong Sales Room, 10.30 a.m. Cinema

King's.—"She Married Her Boss." Queen's.—"A Country Girl." Oriental.—"Annapolis Farewell." World.—"The Prescott Kid." Alhambra.—"She Married Her Boss."

Majestic.—"Call Of The Wild." Star.—"The Scoundrel."

Entertainments.—"A Country Girl," at Queen's Theatre, 9.20 p.m.; Matinee at 2.30 p.m. Social.—Civil Service Cricket Club Whist Drive, 9.20 p.m.; Tombola on board H.M.S. Tamar, 7.15 p.m.

Sports.

Cricket.—First Division, Indian R. C. v. Craighower C.C. (L); Royal Navy v. University (L); Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. (L); Army v. Hong Kong C.C. (F); Second Division, Craighower C.C. v. Indian R.C. (L); University v. Royal Navy (L); Police v. R.A.M.C. (L); Kowloon C.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. (F).

Football.—Interport Team v. Rest (Causeway Bay), 8.30 p.m.; Second Division, University v. Kowloon; Eastern v. Club de Regenero; Radio v. Club; Third Division, Chinese Police v. Railway; East Lancashires v. Royal Air Force.

Racing.—Entries close for Annual Race Meeting, 3 p.m.

Rugby.—Triangular Tournament, Royal Navy v. Army (Causeway Bay), 4 p.m.

Moon.—XII Moon, 24th Day.

Sunrise.—7.06 a.m. Sunset.—6.02 p.m.

Tides.—High at 2.09 and 15.54; Low at 8.14.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Second Sunday After Epiphany; St. Canute, K. and M. (a.1036).

Cinema

King's.—"Here's To Romance." Queen's.—"Dr. Socrates."

Oriental.—"Mad Love." World.—"Air Hawks."

Alhambra.—"Here's To Romance." Majestic.—"Woman Wanted."

Star.—"Wings In The Dark."

Miscellaneous.—Ambulance Competition for Ralph's Shield, opposite Brigade Headquarters.

Religious.—Hymn Service, West Lounge, Y.M.C.A., 8 p.m.

Sports.

Cricket.—Indian R.C. v. Graduates' Association (F).

Football.—First Division, South China "B" v. Royal Artillery, Lyemum (Caroline Hill), 4 p.m.; Second Division, Chinese Athletic v. South China, 2.30 p.m.; R.A.S.C. & R.A.O.C. v. East Lancashires, 4 p.m.; Third Division, Liga Portuguesa v. Royal Welch Fusiliers, 2.30 p.m.

Golf.—Completion of First Round Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Junior Championship.

Hockey.—Men's Interport Trial (Navy Ground, King's Park), 3 p.m.

Moon.—XII Moon, 25th Day.

Sunrise.—7.05 a.m. Sunset.—6.03 p.m.

Tides.—High at 5.10 and 16.45; Low at 0.30 and 7.45.

GERMAN DELEGATION TO VISIT LONDON

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Berlin, Jan. 18.

The delegation of the German ex-Servicemen's League will arrive here on Sunday to return the visit paid last July by the delegation of the British Legion.

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STEEL FOR WORKING ALLOYS

For Hot And Cold Pressing

By A. C. Row, for "Eastern Engineering and Commerce"

Nothing has shown, perhaps, so striking an advance as the development of special steels for working alloys and non-ferrous materials, for example, brass, tin, gold, silver, copper, and the like. Where previously, ordinary carbon tool steels were employed, the present day sees the most complex alloy steels in regular use for hot and cold pressing, die-sinking, and similar operations. Steels for work of this character have to be extremely hard, capable of standing up to the heavy pressures in use, and also able to keep their form and size during and after heat-treatment and in operation.

Carbon steels have been replaced primarily because of certain inherent disadvantages they possess. As soon as a hardened carbon steel die-sinking tool exceeds, say, 1 in. in diameter, there is a tendency for it to split lengthwise through the middle, or at least, this is because cooling in water from about 600 deg. C. necessary to produce a hard enough surface has the contemporaneous effect of leaving a soft core, which is bigger in proportion as the tool itself increases in diameter. The hardened portion of the tool, in such a case as that of a 1 in. dia. tool, would be little, if any, than 1/4 in. dia. No amount of special treatment, such as hardening the dies in a jet of water to produce greater hardness, penetration, could make the hardened layer greater than, say, 1/4 in. in thickness. Nor will an increase in carbon content make any difference, since this, while possibly increasing the hardness of the upper layer, will not affect the core which will remain soft, being composed of transitional structure material and pearlite. In ordinary tools this core softness would be unimportant, but when the heavy pressures required in die-sinking and pressing come into play, the core gives, and the tool splits. Thus it is necessary to introduce alloys into the steel to give it the requisite qualities. Four types of steel are to-day being used for cold working the non-ferrous alloys. The first is a chrome steel, which can be hardened in either water or oil, and whose composition is approximately (varying slightly according to the maker) 1.80 per cent. chrome, 0.50 manganese, 0.25 silicon, and 1.5 carbon. This is specially useful for dies for pressing out the smaller metal parts such as ornamental plaques, coins, medallions, where the impression is not of very great depth. This steel has no soft core, and will, therefore, offer adequate resistance to pressure, the whole body of the tool being uniform in this respect.

SPECIALLY FOR TOOLS

The second steel is likewise a chrome steel, but cannot be hardened in water, oil or the atmosphere being employed. Its composition is approximately 1.3 per cent. chrome, 1 per cent. tungsten, 0.3 per cent. manganese, 0.25 silicon, and 2 per cent. carbon. This steel is specially designed for tools which need to have a very smooth, highly polished working surface, such as punches, or top tools, wherever the metal has to be pressed with very great force into the die. These top tools have to retain their polish a considerable period, in order to produce perfect finish in the product. Furthermore, they must not give in any way during the operation. Only chrome steels are suitable for this work.

Steel No. 3 is a nickel chrome steel, capable of being hardened in either air or oil. It contains approximately 1.5 chrome, 4 per cent. nickel, 0.5 manganese, 0.25 silicon, 0.45 vanadium, and 0.5 carbon. The use of this steel is primarily confined to those operations involving the production of comparatively large pressings, such as spoons, forks, ash-trays, bowls, and the like. Pressures up to 2,800 tons can be withstood by steels of this type. Structure is uniform, and surface is glass-hard. Heat-treatment is by no means difficult, which makes for economy in preparing the tools, waste due to faulty or unskilled treatment being minimised. These steels are, however, not suitable

for working metals of hard character, as spitting of the tool will result. The fourth steel is also a nickel chrome steel, suitable for air- or water-hardening. It contains 3.25 per cent. nickel, 0.5 chrome, 1 per cent. vanadium, 0.5 manganese, and 0.3 carbon. This is suitable for the small pressings, but will allow of a little deeper stamping than the first steel. It is tough, a great desideratum in deep-stamping, while possessing adequate hardness.

PROBLEMS ARISE

A different set of problems arises when one comes to consider the hot-working of alloy steels. Here, not only are heavy pressures encountered, but the effect of the high temperatures involved has to be allowed for, and the inevitable alterations in size due to changes in the product or work, magnified as far as possible. Plentiful cooling of the tools with water, to prevent softening in use, is usually carried out during operations, and the danger that this will set up fine cracks and so lead to break-downs must be guarded against. For this work, as will readily be appreciated, carbon tool steels are practically useless. What is required is a steel which will have a minimum expansion under heat, and a critical cooling speed extending over a wide temperature range. In these operations it is the alternate heatings and coolings, followed by expansion and contraction, rather than the pressures exerted, that lead to failure in the steel. Therefore, the longer a steel can maintain its most suitable structural formation without changing it as a result of heat, the better and longer will it operate efficiently.

Here, also, four modern steels have been developed. The first is a nickel chrome steel, of case-hardening quality, containing approximately 3.5 per cent. nickel, 0.75 chrome, 0.15 carbon. It is mainly used for those tools employed at temperatures of not too high a degree. The second steel, for hot-working non-ferrous alloys, is also a nickel chrome steel, with a composition of approximately 1.5 chrome, 4 per cent. nickel, and 0.4 carbon. This is for temperatures roughly corresponding to those at which the first steel is suitable, but where the working pressures are very high. These steels are not adapted, however, to the production of high outputs on small products, as the temperatures and pressures combined will be higher than this steel can withstand.

HIGH SPEED STEEL

The third steel is a chrome tungsten steel, with 9.2 per cent. tungsten, 3.75 per cent. chrome, and 0.25 per cent. carbon (approximately). It is somewhat similar in character to a high-speed steel, but it will stand up to high temperatures and pressures, largely owing to the tungsten in its composition, and enable high output figures to be obtained on comparatively small pressings. It is highly resistant to cooling cracks, is constant in temper, and changes volume to a less degree than the other steels.

Finally, there is a fourth steel, also a chrome tungsten steel, in which the tungsten content is higher, as is the carbon and chrome content, the approximate analysis being 10 per cent. tungsten, 4 per cent. chrome, and 0.7 carbon. This is for hot die-sinking tools for the production of small pressings under conditions of high temperature and high output, but it resists heat to an even greater degree than the previous steel, which it resembles in composition and scope. Furthermore, it is specially adapted for the production of a minimum die-castings, brass, die-castings, and die-castings generally. In this work the non-ferrous materials are encountered in the fluid condition, which throws considerable strain on the steel tools, which have to withstand contraction and expansion over long stretches of time. Shapes must be maintained and cracks avoided. This steel meets these conditions to a greater degree than any other.

ENGINEERING AND BUILDING

RESEARCH WORK ENCOURAGED

£10,000 By Sir J. Siddeley

The Regent House of Cambridge University has accepted in congratulation the gift of £10,000 offered by Sir John Siddeley to promote aeronautical research in the University. No specific conditions are attached to the offer, but Sir John Siddeley has suggested that the best course may be to allow a considerable proportion of the fund to accumulate to form a capital endowment and to use the remainder for immediate purposes.

Aeronautical research at the University is directed by Professor E. Melville Jones, who is well-known as a courageous investigator of aeronautical problems, one who is unhampered by preconceived ideas and who takes a long view of the future possibilities of aviation. Recently he has devoted much time to streamlining and the reduction of head resistance. He has directed attention to the importance of the present stage of aeronautical development of reduction of head resistance in the "boundary layer," which is that extremely thin section of air immediately adjacent to the surface of a body. That part of the boundary layer which is in direct contact with the surface is still, its outer part moves at the speed of the surrounding air. Generally, within the boundary layer itself all is turbulence caused by the high speed gradient. Professor Jones assumes that it may be possible to eliminate turbulence almost entirely and to arrange for the layers of air within the boundary layer to slide smoothly one over the other. If this smooth "laminar" flow can take the place of the customary turbulence, head resistance due to friction in the boundary layer may be reduced by seven-eighths and speeds may be doubled without employment of more engine power.

Sir John Siddeley's gift should help enormously in furthering this fascinating research, which carries the promise of great future benefits.

WEAVERS' ADAPTABILITY

An example of the way in which Lancashire workers can adapt themselves to the demands of changing industrial conditions is provided by the experiences of a firm, which three years ago took over premises in Darwen for the weaving of fine silk dress fabrics for use in the world's fashion centres.

Weavers who had previously worked in cotton weaving sheds on coarse cotton shooths were placed under the tuition of special instructors from Switzerland, and they quickly mastered the technique of silk weaving.

Representatives of the firm inspected about sixty works in the London area and elsewhere before deciding to settle in Lancashire.

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE

New Dock A Triumph For British Engineers

The test of the great dry dock at Seletar, better known as the Singapore Naval Base, into which 68,750,000 gallons of water were pumped in September from the Straits of Johore, has been successful.

The dock withstood the terrific pressure of water on the sides and floor, and proved that it could take the most powerful ships in the British Navy. The gate of the dock remains yet to be completed and placed in position.

The test of the dock took nearly a fortnight. Two 12-in. pipes were used, giving a capacity of 6,000 gallons a minute. Observations were taken after every lift of 4 ft. by the aid of four posts, more than 60 ft. high, fixed along the floor of the dock.

The dock is 130 ft. wide by 1,000 ft. long. It is broader than, but not quite as long as, the graving dock at Southampton. Built on treacherous ground, the great new dock is regarded as a triumph for British engineers.

"THE STORY OF TELFORD"

Tribute To A Great Engineer

Of all the memorials which can be raised to the memory of a great man, the most lasting and valuable assuredly is a good account of his life and actions, and his influence. Statues, busts, tablets, monuments and buildings all have their appropriate place in our modes of commemorating the dead, but it is through the magic of the written word that the minds of succeeding generations are enriched, their emotions stirred and their resolves strengthened. The experience of Emerson, that he could not hear of personal vigour or great power of endurance without fresh resolution, is a common one, and so, to-day, after the lapse of many centuries, we still treasure the pages of Plutarch, which form the most lasting memorials to the foremost men of ancient Greece and Rome. Even a poor biography of a great man is better than none, but when a life is written with skill, knowledge and understanding, it remains a never-failing source of interest and inspiration. In biography, our language is singularly rich, and though there may be comparatively few well-written lives of engineers, our bookshelves would be vastly poorer had we not the biographies of the Stephenson, the Brunels, Watt, Trevithick, Locke, Napier, Fowler, Ericsson, Fulton, Siemens, Farrow, and Parsons, the autobiographies of Nasmyth, Fairbairn, Rennie, Tangye, and Bessemer, and the scores of short biographical sketches to be found in technical journals and the transactions of societies.

ENGINEERING BIOGRAPHY

To no one is the engineering world more indebted for his contributions to engineering biography than to Dr. Samuel Smiles, who during the twelve years he held the office of secretary to the South Eastern Railway published that series of "Lives of the Engineers" which Gladstone said could not be too widely brought into public notice. "The Times" called Smiles' "Lives" "an Engineer's Pantheon," and so, in spite of much criticism, they remain to-day. But biography, like history, owing to the accumulation of new material of for some other reason, has sometimes to be re-written. And in his book, "The Story of Telford," just published, Sir Alexander Gibb, in a masterly manner, has reviewed the career of Telford in the light of modern conditions. Just about a year ago, the centenary of the death of Telford was

commemorated, the principal event in the commemoration being the Centenary Exhibition arranged by the Council of the Institution of Civil Engineers, of which Telford was the first president and benefactor. That exhibition was mainly due to the enthusiasm of Sir Alexander, who, as a descendant of one of Telford's assistants, John Gibb (1778-1850), and through his own professional career, has been attracted to a study of the work of the great engineer, and now with his docket well-stocked with fresh material, and with a knowledge of technical problems which Smiles did not possess, he has placed the engineering world under a new debt by his able abridgement of Telford and the important national works for which he was responsible. Sir Alexander disclaims for his book anything more than an attempt to present some sort of picture of the man and the part he played in the foundation of a great profession, but readers will find it more than that, for it contains notes on the hundreds of schemes with which Telford was connected, side lights on many of his contemporaries, a full bibliography, and it, moreover, shows Telford as the Maecenas of engineering at a critical period of its history.

FROM 1757 TO 1834

The life of Telford extended from 1757 to 1834. Those three-quarters of a century was as full of great events as even the last seventy-five years. He was a child when the Seven Years War was being waged and Clive was establishing Great Britain's supremacy in India, a youth when the Republic of the United States came into being, and a man of thirty-two when the French Revolution broke out. He witnessed the rise and fall of Napoleon, read of the battles of Nelson and Wellington, and was one of the chief technical advisers to the Government in the endeavour to restore the fortunes of the country after a score of years of conflict. But altogether apart from the international struggles and the immense intellectual activity of the time of Telford, the period of his life will remain memorable as that which saw the beginning of that application of invention, engineering and science to human needs, which gathering momentum, accelerated by "decade," has changed the lives of whole peoples, and has led to those complex problems of society which tax the minds of the foremost thinkers and legislators of to-day.

A FEW MINUTES TO BUILD

A Spanner And A Bicycle

Bicycles which can be taken to pieces, new parts substituted and rebuilt in a few minutes with the aid of only a spanner are now being put on the market by a Birmingham firm.

The frame, instead of being constructed of tubing, is built of channel section steel, like miniature girders, and is in five, separate parts, held together by steel bolts, and a simple waterproof bracket.

This girder type of construction, which is similar to that used in the construction of motor-car chassis, ensures great strength, lightness and rigidity.

The most important feature, however, is that machines incorporating this new type of construction can be packed in a case only 20 ins. square—the size of the standard wheel, thus effecting a substantial reduction in cost of transport, while the ease with which they can be re-assembled will, it is anticipated, appeal to the overseas buyer.

It is expected that this new ma-

CANTON HANKOW RAILWAY

Further progress with the Canton-Hankow Railway has increased the prospects of the line being completed towards the end of 1936. The gap between Loehans and Pingahok was recently filled and this enables the running of a through train service from Canton, direct to the Kuangtung border, which will be linked to Hengchow by a bus line. According to Mr. K. F. Pao, Secretary of the administration, construction work between Chuechow and Shuechow is in full swing. The following is the work already accomplished: Earth work, 89 per cent.; tunnels, 80 per cent.; major bridges, 64 per cent.; minor bridges, 83 per cent.; track laying, 44 per cent. (177 kilometres).

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January 19.—2nd Sunday after Epiphany—Papal Day:—

MORNING SERVICES
1st Mass at 8
2nd Mass at 8. High Mass.
3rd Mass at 10.30 with sermon in English.

EVENING SERVICE
At 8.30, Religious Instruction.
At 4, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary, sermon and Benediction.

January 21.—St. Agnes.

At 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.—Holy Hour.

January 24.—St. Timothy.—Abstinence is dispensed.

January 25.—Conversion of St. Paul.
On week days Mass at 6 and 7.30 a.m.

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The Social Hour after the evening service will be held in the Church Hall.

The Soldiers' and Airmen's Christian Association meets in the Church Hall every Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m. Servicemen and others are welcome at this meeting.

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The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, to-morrow, January 19 will be: "Life."

The Golden Text will be: This is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. (1 John 5:11).

Among others, the following citations from the Bible will be read: "O Lord, by these things men live, and in all these things is the life of my spirit: so wilt thou recover me, and make me to live. Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back."

For the grave cannot praise thee, death cannot celebrate thee: they that do down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.

The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth. (Isaiah 38: 16-19).

The Lesson Sermon will also include the following passage from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy:

"If it is true that man lives, this fact can never change in Science to the opposite belief that man dies. Life is the law of Soul, even the law of the spirit of Truth, and Soul is never without its representative. Man's individual being can no more die nor disappear in unconsciousness than can Soul, for both are immortal. If man believes in death now, he must disbelieve in it when learning that there is no reality in death, since the truth of being is deathless. The belief that existence is contingent, on matter must be met and mastered by Science, before Life can be understood and harmony obtained. If man is never to overcome death, why do the Scriptures say, 'The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death?' The tenor of the Word shows that we shall obtain the victory over death in proportion as we overcome sin. The great difficulty lies in ignorance of what God is. God, Life, Truth, and Love make man undying. Immortal Mind, governing all, must be acknowledged as supreme in the physical realm, so-called, as well as in the spiritual. (Page 427).

COAL GRABS FOR SINGAPORE HARBOUR

Instead of cooke gangs with baskets mechanical grabs may soon coal steamers in Singapore. A scheme for the installation of the latest mechanical coaling appliances has been put before the Chamber of Commerce and received sympathetic consideration. It is noted that there has been a substantial drop in the number of coal-fired ships berthing at Singapore. Last year, according to Harbour Board statistics, only 39 per cent. of the ships berthing were coal-burners, oil-burners having increased to 61 per cent. This caused a corresponding decline in the number of colliers visiting Singapore, and in the imports of coal to the Harbour Board premises.

LINK BETWEEN BURMA AND YANGTZE

In return for concessions in fixing the border between Burma and Yunnan Province, the British mean to ask the right to open a trade route between Burma and the Yangtze Valley through Yunnan and Szechwan, says a Hong Kong message in Tokyo papers. To fix the boundary, which has been an issue for the past 30 years, a commission of British and Chinese representatives is on the Kungming frontier, where investigations will start with the arrival of a League of Nations observer this month. It is hoped to complete the task by May. It is not yet known whether the British would give the British access by land to the interior of China, increasing trade.

BRITISH DOUBLE-ACTING MARINE ENGINE

The first of two Richardsons, Westgarth double-acting two-stroke engines, which are to replace the existing machinery in two Silver Line cargo ships, has been running trials. As this engine represents the first large unit of the class purely of British design and manufacture to be installed in a ship it will naturally prove, writes an engineering correspondent in "Trade and Engineering," a source of much interest to engineers and shipowners. Moreover, it is believed that the weight per brake horse-power of the engine as now built is lower than that of any other marine design, and this factor should prove of importance in many instances.

The engine is designed for an output of 4,000 h.p. at 108 r.p.m. in four cylinders, with a diameter of 27½ in. and a piston stroke of 47½ in. The bedplate and columns are of welded steel construction, and it is stated that the weight of the bedplate, which is under 30 tons, is about 15 tons less than it would have been if of ordinary cast-iron design. In its main particulars, the engine follows the lines of the large experimental unit built by Messrs. Richardsons, Westgarth some time ago. It is to be installed in the space previously occupied by an engine of about half the output.

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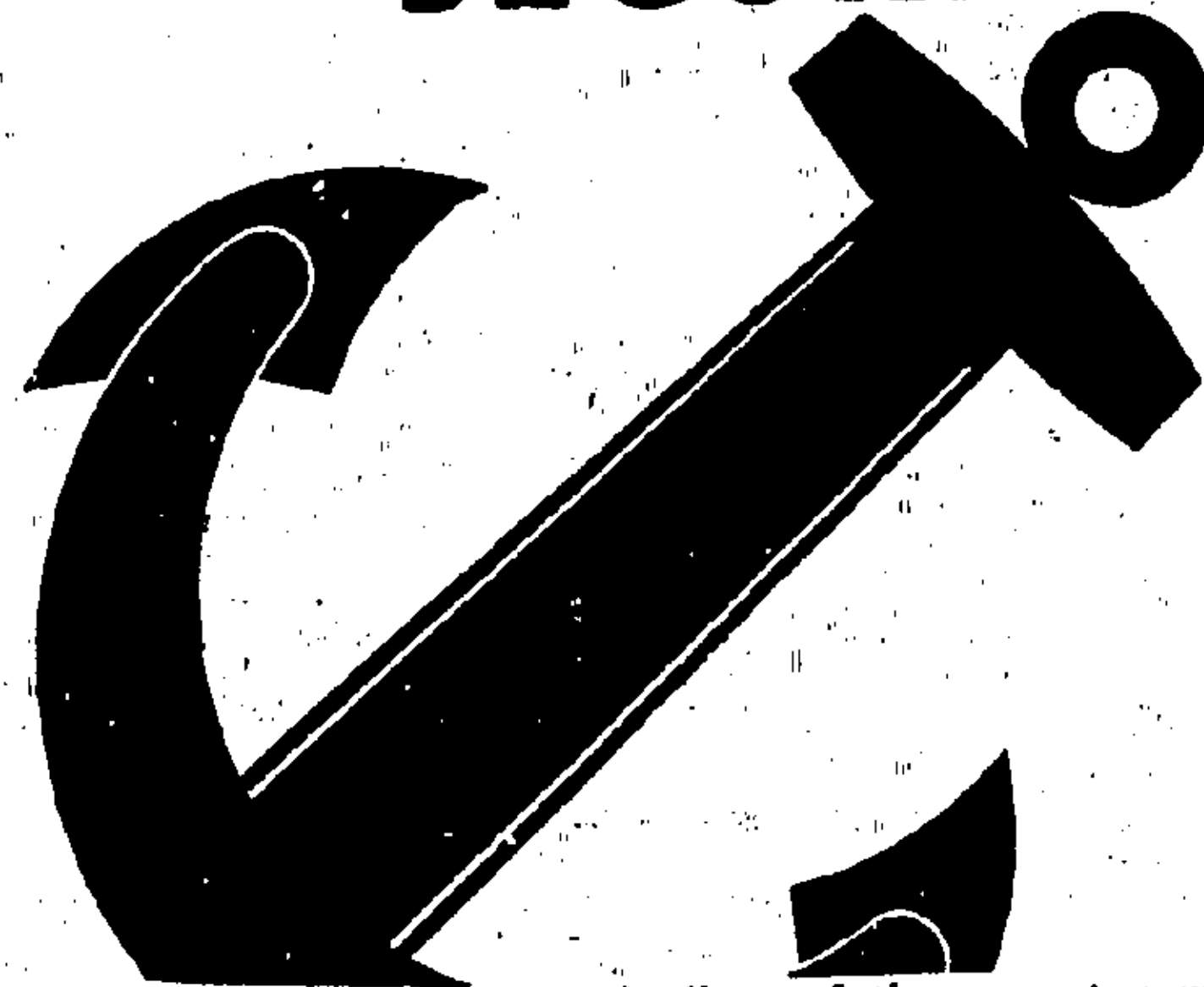
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Customs Examiner In Court

J. H. ANDERSON SAID TO HAVE TAKEN BRIBE FROM CHINESE

Shanghai, Jan. 14.
John Harry Anderson, aged 49, an examiner attached to the Chinese Maritime Customs, appeared before the First Special District Court yesterday morning, charged with malfeasance in office by demanding and accepting a bribe of \$5,000 from one Sun. Un-ling.

Anderson is, according to the police, an unrecognized Swede and that was why he appeared before the Chinese court. The prosecution alleged that the bribe was paid to the accused by the complainant in House No. 2, Lane No. 140, Baikal Road, on January 9; a sum of \$2,400

"SHE MARRIED HER BOSS"

In a picture that is easily the best she has had since the now immortal "It Happened One Night," Claudette Colbert thoroughly entertained the audience at the King's and Alhambra Theatres. "She Married Her Boss," the star's newest vehicle, gives her every opportunity to display the piquant charm that has endeared her to the movie-going public.

The film is, in essence, a comedy, but enough of the dramatic runs through it to give it backbone. And Columbia has supplied it with a supporting cast that smacks of genius.

"THE SCOUNDREL"

Messrs. Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur have scored a distinct hit this time with their new film, "The Scoundrel," which opened at the Star Theatre, yesterday, to reveal a new star of the first cinematic magnitude—Noel Coward.

Ever since the famous screen duo began operations at their Astoria, I.I., studio, filmgoers have anticipated a picture of this calibre from them.

A brilliant and devastating picture of New York society, and a poignant and moving love tale are deftly blended in "The Scoundrel," which presents the brilliant Coward at his blithe and debonaire best.

In certain Customs passes for cancellation. It was alleged that the accused told the complainant that, if he reported to the Customs authorities, the complainant would be liable to a heavy fine. The accused then was alleged to have demanded a bribe from the complainant who made a secret report to the Customs authorities. Accompanied by a Chinese Customs official who pretended to be the employer of the complainant, the latter proceeded to House No. 2, Lane No. 140, Baikal Road, where the alleged bribe of \$5,000 was paid to the accused, the prosecution alleged.

Questioned by the Judge, the accused denied the charge. The Judge ordered an adjournment of the hearing, the accused being allowed bail during the period of adjournment—"N.O.D.N."

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TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:
"She Married Her Boss"
QUEEN'S:
"A Country Girl"
ORIENTAL:
"Annapolis Farewell"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:
"She Married Her Boss"
MAJESTIC:
"Call Of The Wild"
STAR:
"The Scoundrel"

Sunday

KING'S:
"Here's To Romance"
QUEEN'S:
"Dr. Socrates"
ORIENTAL:
"Mad Love"
STAR:
"Wings In The Dark"
MAJESTIC:
"Woman Wanted"
ALHAMBRA:
"Here's To Romance"

"HERE'S TO ROMANCE"

"The golden tenor voice that has already thrilled millions, now delights new legions of music lovers and motion picture fans as Nino Martini, handsome operatic sensation makes his initial film appearance in Jesse L. Lasky's "Here's To Romance," which comes on Sunday to the King's and Alhambra Theatres.

Starred with a supporting cast that includes Genevieve Tobin, Anita Louise, Mme. Schumann-Heink and Reginald Denny, Martini enacts the leading role in this delightful picture of an operatic tenor's private life and loves.

"PAGE MISS GLORY"

The Cosmopolitan comedy "Page Miss Glory" with Marion Davies in the stellar role and a supporting cast composed of more than a score of Hollywood stars and featured players, will be presented by Warner Bros. at the Queen's Theatre during the Chinese New Year holidays.

Based on the sensational Broadway stage hit by Joseph Schrank and Philip Dunning with the screen version written by Delmer Daves and Robert Lord, "Page Miss Glory" was assigned to Warner Bros. ace director Mervyn LeRoy, who selected such stars as Dick Powell, Pat O'Brien, Mary Astor, Frank McHugh, Lyle Talbot, Allen Jenkins, Barron McLane and Hobart Cavanaugh for the leading roles.

"DR. SOCRATES"

Dr. Socrates, the latest Warner Bros. Production in which Paul Muni is starred, scheduled to open at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow, is heralded as one of the most powerful dramas in which the star has appeared.

The plot centres about Muni, a country doctor, once a great surgeon of the city, who has lost his nerve through the death of his fiancée after an operation he himself performed. A shattered nervous wreck, ironically dubbed Dr. Socrates, he has little success until a band of bank robbers and killers terrorize the neighbourhood. Kidnapped by the bandits and taken to their hide-out to dress the wounds of those shot in battle with the police, he recognizes the place and is instrumental in leading to their capture.

"MAD LOVE"

"Mad Love" showing at the Oriental Theatre to-morrow and Monday is Maurice Renard's uncanny novel of strange surgical experimentation, provides the scientific basis for the latest terror-drama of the screen which brings the pictures an amazing new mystery personality in "Peter Lorre," European star.

The picture shows Lorre as a surgeon, gone mad, and using his amazing knowledge to wreck the life of a pianist whose wife he covets. Grafting of hands of a murderer to replace those lost in an accident by the pianist, the uncanny surgery where the surgeon, Gogol, attempts a fantastic operation never seen before, and other creepy detail, surround gripping drama in the audacious plot.

TOBACCO CO.'S HUGE PROFIT

Carreras, Ltd. Reports Good Year

The thirty-second annual general meeting of Messrs. Carreras, Limited was held at its Head Office in London on December 19 last year, when a very satisfactory statement of the year's working was presented to the shareholders. A statement of account is given below:—

The amount to the credit of Profit and Loss, is £2,256,901 6s. 8d. After deducting £49,382 0s. 2d. for Depreciation on Buildings Plant, etc., £1,000 0s. 0d. Directors' Fees, and £7,042 8s. 6d. Contribution to Staff Superannuation Fund, there is a balance available for distribution of £2,199,478 18s. 6d. which the Directors propose to appropriate as follows:—

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Dividends on 6 per cent Cumulative Preference Shares to 19th June, 1935, already paid	3,000	0	0
Dividends on 6 per cent "A" Cumulative Preference Shares to 19th June, 1935, already paid	3,000	0	0
Dividends on 7 per cent "B" Cumulative Preference Shares to 19th June, 1935, already paid	14,000	0	0
Dividends on 4½ per cent "C" Cumulative Redeemable Preference Shares to 19th June, 1935, already paid	45,000	0	0
Interim Dividend of 15 per cent. on Ordinary, "A" Ordinary and "B" Ordinary Shares, paid 19th June, 1935	255,734	15	0
To pay a further Dividend of 20 per cent. on Ordinary, "A" Ordinary and "B" Ordinary Shares (making for the year ended 31st October, 1935, 35 per cent. less Income Tax)	354,313	0	0
To pay a Bonus of 1½ per share on the Ordinary and "A" Ordinary Shares, and 1½ per share on the "B" Ordinary Shares, less Income Tax	68,578	5	0
	778,026	0	0
To Provision for Income Tax	43,016	16	4
To Contingencies Fund	100,000	0	0
To carry forward to next Account, and to provide for accrued Dividend on Preference Shares	1,282,834	1	8
	22,196,478	18	6

Highway Robbers Kill Woman

SILK FACTORY PROPRIETOR WOUNDED IN CHAPEI

Shanghai Jan. 15.
While yelling for help on being held up by three highway robbers, Wang Chen-ze was stabbed in the head and neck in front of her house in Tuh Shing Li, Boone Road, early yesterday morning. She died almost immediately. The robbers escaped.

The crime was witnessed by Wang Mao-tang who accompanied the woman home from Chapei where they attended a mah-jongg party. While in the alleyway, the three men, one of whom was armed with a pistol and the other, a knife, held up the man first and robbed him of \$28. As they attempted to force the woman to give up her money, she raised an alarm. One of the trio attacked her with a knife before escaping.

A shooting case was reported in Chapei at about 8.30 a.m. yesterday, when Yu Loh-kong, former proprietor of a silk weaving factory, was shot in the head and body in his house in Shun Shing Li, Ching Yung Road. Altogether two men broke into his house and as soon as they came near him, they opened fire. The victim was in a serious condition in a hospital last evening.

GOVT. LAUNCH STRIKES OIL?

FUEL STOLEN BUT ACTUALLY MORE FOUND

Police Efforts Wasted

Eleven Chinese, crews of the Government launch H.D.1 and a motor boat, were brought before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. They were charged with having stolen 16 gallons of Diesel fuel oil from the Government launch H.D.1 on December 30, 1935.

It transpired during yesterday's hearing that the actual amount of oil on the launch H.D.1 was some gallons in excess of the amount she should have had according to her log book, and consequently His Worship discharged all the defendants.

Mr. S. Ng Quin appeared for the first six defendants and Mr. F. I. Zimmerman for the remaining five.

Det. Sub-Inspector L. Whant prosecuted.

Sgt. Davis in evidence said that acting on information received he went with a Chinese detective C. 409 to the South Gate of the Kowloon Godowns at about 1 p.m. on December 30. He saw the H.D.1 lying alongside wharf No. 2 and so he waited for about 10 minutes when he saw a motor boat coming from across the harbour.

CREW CORNERED

The motor boat made straight for the H.D.1 and witness accompanied by the detective went to wharf No. 2. When they were midway between the wharf and the boats he saw the coxswain of the H.D.1 and another seaman, who on seeing them shouted "start the engines quickly." Witness ran to the launch and the detective boarded the motor boat. They cornered the crew of the two launches and later took them to the Railway Pier.

In answer to Mr. Zimmerman, witness said that he had been waiting for that particular motorboat. He actually saw a flexible pipe being hauled from the motor boat to the H.D.1.

Sgt. Davis said that samples between seven and eight gallons were taken from four different drums on board the H.D.1 and a fifth sample was taken from a store at Yau-mai.

Mr. G. L. Tetley, Asst. Government Analyst, said that he received on January 3, 1936, five samples of Diesel oil which he tested. He found samples 1, 3, 4 to have the same characteristics and were the same as sample 5. Sample No. 2 was different and was of a lower specific gravity and lower distillation temperature.

In his opinion he would say that samples 1, 3, 4 and 5 were gas oils of the same type, but sample 2 was of a "gher natura."

MORE FOUND

Mr. H. W. Chittenden, Assistant Government Surveyor of Shipways, said that together with Sgt. Davis he measured the main bunker of the H.D.1 and found it to contain 37½ inches, i.e. 127.5 gallons fuel oil. The service tank had 24 gallons.

There was on board the Fung Hing 3 x 45 gal. drums. One was half full, a second had about 8 gallons and a third was full of Diesel oil.

If the main bunker of the H.D.1 was full it would contain 132½ gallons of oil. The service tank full would have 22 gallons. No oil was to be stored in other than these two places.

Witness said that he was responsible for the fuel on the H.D.1. The last time she was fuelled on December 30, when she took 120 gallons at 9.20 a.m. Her usual consumption was 4 gallons per hour. She started duty on the 29 December with 30.8 gallons in her main bunker and her running time was 6 hours 20 minutes, thereby her consumption was 24 gallons, thus leaving a balance of 6.8 gallons when she came to bunker on the 30th.

WHAT THE LOG SAYS

His Worship:—She may have had her service tank full so it would amount to 126 plus 24 or it may have been empty thus leaving 126 gallons in the bunker.

The log of the H.D.1 showed that she had run for 1 hour 20 minutes after 9.20 a.m. and consumed 8 gallons, so she should have had between 118 and 142 gallons on board when actually caught.

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More Councillors Demanded

JAPANESE UNIONS WANT THREE S.M.C. SEATS

Shanghai Jan. 15.
Plans for a campaign designed to elect three Japanese to the Municipal Council at the annual election in March were discussed at the first meeting of the year of the standing committee of the Amalgamated Japanese Street Unions on Monday afternoon, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday. There are now two Japanese councillors.

The daily said that the names of candidates were mentioned at the gathering.

Other questions deliberated upon at the two-hour session, the paper continued, included the selection of a new chairman of the standing committee and the installation of electric light and power systems by the Chinese-owned Chapei Power and Water Company in Japanese homes in the outside, roads area.

The chairmanship of the body is now being temporarily occupied by Mr. Kyutaro Hayashi, following the resignation in December of Mr. Masasaburo Amano, who became president of the Japanese Residents' Corporation. Mr. Hayashi has repeatedly refused to assume the chairmanship on a permanent basis declaring that his private affairs prevented him from devoting sufficient time to the work. A new chairman is to be elected at the general assembly of the Amalgamated Street Unions to be held in February. N. C. D. N.

Actually when the measurement was taken by witness of the oil on board, there was 149 gallons, which was an excess.

His Worship:—We have to take that the log book is correct and I can take it that nothing has been stolen, I discharge all defendants.

Ranee Leaves By Air SPECIAL DECORATIONS FOR PLANE

Singapore, Jan. 15.
Cabin alterations are being made to the Imperial Airways liner at Seletar so that the Ranee of Sarawak, Lady Vyner Brooke, who leaves by air to-day for London, and who recently injured her leg, will be comfortable during the flight.

The seat that the Ranee will occupy in the plane is being extended. The cabin will be specially decorated.

Special arrangements for the Ranee's comfort are also being made in the other Imperial planes and flying boats to which the Ranee will transfer on the trip.

The Ranee will be present at the premiere of the first film made by her son-in-law, Harry P. and his wife, the Dayang Elizabeth. The picture is called "Royal Romance."

Dr. Hutchinson, Government Medical officer of Sarawak, is travelling home in the same plane.—Free Press.

PROBATES

Letters of Administration Granted

Several probates were dealt with at the Supreme Court yesterday. In the estate of the late Yeung Lam Koo, of Ku Tin Village, Chung Shan district, and who left estate to the value of \$4,000, letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Leung Shi.

Estate sworn at \$2,700 left by the late Young Tin, a farmer of Tai O Village, and for which letters of administration have been granted to Young Shui Lau, of 447 Reclamation Street, Mong Kok.

Letters of administration have been granted to Lau Leung Shi, widow, in the estate of her husband, Lau Yut Wah. The estate is sworn at \$2,500.



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QUEEN'S COLLEGE SPEECH DAY

Governor's Pointed Reply

"I don't pretend to understand all that was said about examinations which is lucky for me; because if I had, I might have been tempted into rash and unguarded comment and dissent. If the Director of Education feels that representations on this subject should be made to the Government he will doubtless make them, and they will of course be carefully considered," so said His Excellency, the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, Kt., C.M.G., C.B.E., in reply to Mr. F. J. de Rome's Annual Report at the Speech Day of Queen's College which was held at the College's Hall yesterday morning, when Sir Andrew Caldecott distributed prizes and certificates to the successful candidates.

In reply to the Headmaster's reference to the Queen's College Building which he said that it was not ideally situated nor was it suited to the requirements of a modern school, Sir Andrew Caldecott stated that anybody who was studying the public finance of the Colony seriously would agree with him that the project of new buildings must be relegated to the category of castles in the air.

THE YEAR'S WORK

There was a large and distinguished gathering at the function, amongst those present being, Mr. G. R. Sayer (Director of Education), Sir William Hornel (Vice-Chancellor of the University), Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Professor L. Forster, Dr. P. H. Kotewall, Mr. G. P. de Martin, Mr. W. Kay, Mr. H. K. Woo, Messrs. H. R. Wells, A. Morris, H. G. Wallington, A. T. Hamilton, M. H. Lo, Horace Lo, G. W. Reeve, Rev. N. Evans and Capt. W. J. R. Craig (A.D.C.).

Presenting his report the Headmaster said:—Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen—May I first of all, Sir, express our great appreciation of the honour you have conferred upon us by your presence here so soon after your arrival in the Colony? On behalf of the school I extend to you a hearty welcome. I regret I cannot welcome you to more congenial surroundings: we are all very proud of this state and historic building (once destined, I understand, to be the Supreme Court) and particularly of this magnificent hall. Admittedly, the neighbourhood is somewhat more salubrious than it was a few years ago, but even so, you will readily perceive, Sir, that we are not ideally situated, nor is the building suited to the requirements of a modern school. We still stand within 50 yds. of our original foundation in 1862. It gave us great satisfaction, therefore, when your predecessor, Sir William Peel, announced publicly, shortly before his departure, that he hoped Government would find it possible to provide a new Queen's College in the not too distant future.

I will not trouble you with the usual school statistics, which are much the same from year to year. Our numbers have kept steady (round about 600), although there has been evidence the last year or two of a falling off in the number of applicants to our lowest class, Class 8. This year, 1935-36, we have had a record number of entries to the Senior School, Class 3 from the various Government District Schools.

THE EXAMINATIONS

In the School Certificate Examination which was held for the first time last June in place of the Hong Kong University Matriculation Examination, 29 passed out of 46, 9 with Honours—53 per cent. against an average of 38 per cent. for the Colony (boys). Mr. Shun Hung gained 6 distinctions out of a possible 8, one being the only distinction given in science. He was awarded a Government Education Scholarship to the University of Hong Kong.

May I congratulate the University authorities on so successfully gauging our standards for the examination? There has been much discussion during the last year, both in the Press and elsewhere, about examinations in general, and the School Certificate in particular. The writer of a recent report stigmatises examinations as a disease to be stamped out; I am not at all sure that "young humanity" themselves in Hong Kong would approve of such drastic action. I believe it was Huxley who said that "examinations were a necessary evil," but at least he admitted they were necessary. There is little doubt that, when run on proper lines, they are not only indispensable but are invaluable. It has been well said that they act both as a powerful "stimulus" to pupil and a necessary "audit" to teacher, and without them I fear our work would suffer. The "school record" and "school report" system of ascertaining the intelligence and industry of pupils is surely open to the objection that teachers are not always infallible in their judgments of their pupils. These methods must be reinforced by independent tests.

A DIFFERENCE

The present School Certificate Examination fulfils one important condition of a good school examination, viz., that it is determined largely by the school curriculum and syllabus and not "vice versa," and in this respect it differs fundamentally from the old Matriculation, a difference which I am afraid some do not appreciate. In certain respects the old Matriculation was an evil, for a school leaving examination: there is now little conflict between the curriculum and the present examination. The School Certificate should not be an "incubus" or an evil, as suggested, for it is a test at the end of a pupil's school career (on most of the ordinary school subjects, taught over many years, and which, after much discussion, were considered necessary in Hong Kong). The examination is somewhat rigid, but as stated on a previous occasion anything elastic is apt to perish in Hong Kong; or to apply a well known principle of economics, had (i.e. soft) subjects will always drive out good subjects.

SYSTEM DIFFERS

Keeping in mind the educational requirements and wishes of Hong Kong parents and boys, our examination programme (and hence our whole educational system) must of necessity differ considerably from those obtaining elsewhere, and of these there are endless varieties. We are not called upon, for example, to fit our boys into any particular niche of employment, or social life. It is somewhat difficult to state an aim in so many words—a School Certificate Examination should be less academic than Matriculation, of a more human and everyday kind; it should be taken in the stride of pupils, without the necessity for cramming, and with a good prospect of success, provided previous promotions have been conscientiously made. For the average Hong Kong pupil I feel that, (to quote from a previous report), "if on leaving school he can read the varied news in English and Chinese newspapers with fair ease and intelligence, then the schools have done, academically, all that can be expected of them," and the School Certificate Examination, based as it is on a curriculum which provides a good background of knowledge in a number of subjects, will go far towards ensuring this aim. It is rather the fashion to find at newspapers and yet they do enter largely into our daily lives.

THEY WANT JOBS

I am much in sympathy with a recommendation of the recent report which states that a Leaving Examination should be held at an earlier stage than at present, in order to cater for a wider range of pupils. I have frequently drawn attention to the abnormal falling off in numbers in the Senior School from Class 3 to Class 1; usually about 60 per cent. leave before the end, for one reason and another. This is educationally unsound and also most uneconomic. I am convinced there is a large and genuine demand for an independent certificate before Class 1; the Headmaster's certificate is not sufficient. The old Junior Local Examination served this purpose to some extent. Last week about 80 boys of 110 from my two senior classes sat for the Government Clerkship Examination; they want posts, they are prepared to leave, they stay on to Class 1.

(Early cables on page 11.)

DEFENCE CORPS ORDERS

Major M. A. Johnson
Appointed P.R.I.

Orders by Lieut-Colonel H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O. B. E. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps are as under—

GENERAL

General Holiday—Chinese New Year
Corps Headquarters will be closed on Friday and Saturday, January 24 and 25, 1936.

Corps Orders

As the Chinese New Year falls on Friday, 24th instant, Corps Orders will be published on Thursday, O. C. Units are requested to send in their Orders not later than 10 a.m. on Thursday morning, 23rd instant.

Appointments

Major M. A. Johnson, M.M., is appointed P.R.I. and P.M.C. vice Major E. J. R. Mitchell, O. B. E. with effect from January 20, 1936.

Command

Captain H. R. Forsyth will assume Command of Machine Gun Battalion vice Major E. J. R. Mitchell, O. B. E. with effect from January 20, 1936.

Parade

Corps 1st Battery
"A" Section—Next parade is at Belcher's Fort on Thursday, 23rd instant at 6 p.m.

Dress—Overalls, Gun Platform Shoes, Blue Caps.
"I" Section—There will be no parade on Friday, 24th instant. Next parade will be at Corps Headquarters on Friday, 31st instant at 5.30 p.m.

One Inch Aiming Sheet—This will take place from Stonecutters on Sunday, 28th instant. This is chiefly for the layers but all interested should inform their N.C.O. i/c if they desire to be present.

Dress—Overalls, Gun Platform Shoes, Blue Caps.
Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.20 a.m. calling at Kowloon 8.30 a.m.

Corps Engineers

Parade at Miniature Range at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 20th instant. Thursday, 23rd January, 1936—D. L. Training at Belcher's Fort. Parade at 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (in conjunction with the Corps 1st Battery).

Corps Signals

Parade will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 21st and Thursday, January 23, 1936.

M. G. Troop

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, 21st instant at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction.

Armoured Car Section

Section will parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, 21st instant at 5.30 p.m. for Musketry Instruction.

A full attendance is requested.

Motor Machine Gun Section
Parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, 20th instant at 5.30 p.m. for Schedule "B" Classification Tests.

No. 1 (M.G.) Company

There will be no parade on Friday, 24th instant owing to Chinese New Year Holiday.

Company Dinner will be held on Friday, February 7, 1936. All ranks are asked to keep this date free.

Part II Machine Gun at Stonecutters on Sunday, 19th instant. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. calling at Kowloon at 9.10 a.m.

Range Officer—2nd Lieut. L. B. Holmes.

No. 2 (Scottish) Company

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Thursday, 23rd instant at 5.30 p.m. for M.G. Training, I.A. and Lecture.

M.G. Classification, Part II, will be fired on Sunday, 26th instant at Stonecutters.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. calling at Kowloon at 8.40 a.m.

All men who have not fired this course during the present season must do so on this date.

Strength—No. 2531, Private E.R. Walsh joined 9.1.36 is posted to No. 4 Sub-Section.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company

Parade under R.S.M. T. Parkinson at Corps Headquarters for Infantry Training on Monday, 20th instant at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Dress—Muff and Belt, Frog, Sling, Bayonet and Rifle will be required.

M.G. Classification—The following have been qualified as 1st Class Machine Gunners and are entitled to wear the Badge (without wreath) for one year—C.Q.M.S. Fincher, Sgt. Gittins, Sgt. Churn, Cpl. V. White, L/Cpl. Mackay.

CHEFOO BOY KILLED IN ABYSSINIA

DR. R. W. HOCKMAN
AMONG FIRST CIVILIAN
CASUALTIES

Live Bomb Explodes
Unexpectedly

One of the first civilian casualties in the Ethiopian hostilities was a former pupil of the China Inland Mission School at Chefoo, reports from Addis Ababa reveal. He was Dr. Robert W. Hockman, who was killed on December 14 while examining an unexploded Italian bomb at Dagah Bur. Dr. Hockman was only 28 years old and was medical missionary in charge of American Red Cross Unit No. 1 on the Ogaden front. Dr. Hockman was born in 1907 in China, where his father, Dr. William H. Hockman, was a missionary for 30 years, including the period of the Boxer Rebellion. He attended the C.I.M. School in Chefoo, and when he was 17 years old, he and his family went to London, later returning to the United States and settling in New Concord, Ohio.

In the United States he was educated first at Muskingum College, and later took a medical course at Northwestern University. He then entered West Suburban Hospital in Chicago, where Dr. Raleigh Oldfield described him as "a surgeon of great promise."

IN OGADEEN FRONT

Dr. Hockman had been in Ethiopia two years. He was the first head of the United Presbyterian mission hospital in Addis Ababa and had been in charge of the Ogaden front since October. His death was largely due to his enthusiasm as a collector of war souvenirs, and he had previously brought to Addis Ababa pieces of shrapnel and Italian detonators. After the bombardment of Dagah Bur by Italian planes which Dr. Hockman experienced without injury, several unexploded bombs were left in the earth. Dr. Hockman was trying to unscrew the cap of one of these when it exploded, killing him instantaneously.

He had recently applied for leave to go to Egypt to visit his wife and their daughter, born on October 23, whom he had never seen. He received the reply, however, that if he left chaos would descend on the Red Cross on the Ogaden front, and he therefore remained. His death is widely deplored by Ethiopians, among whom he was popular. He was deeply respected, especially by the Ethiopian troops, many of whose lives he saved after the attack on Goralah. Although born in China, Dr. Hockman's home was in Wheaton, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. He is survived by his parents, two brothers, and a sister.

L/Cpl. G. Willis, L/Cpl. Winch, Pte. S. Broadbridge, Pte. W. Broadbridge, Pte. Knox, Pte. Quash, Pte. Rowe, Pte. G. Royleance, Pte. Santh, Pte. Winyard, Pte. E. Simmer.

M.G. Co., Signal Section
Wednesday, January 22, 1936—Signal Section will parade at Corps Headquarters for instructions in Subsections as under:

Subsection "A" V/T under Section Cpl. King—Flag Station Work, and Procedure. Reference—"Signal Training" (All Arms) Chapter X, pp. 123-135.

Subsection "B" L/T under L/Cpl. Skinner—"D3" Circuit and Adjustments. Reference—"Signal Training" (All Arms) Chapter VII—Section 38.

Subsection "C" W/T under Sig. Thompson—Morse Instruction. Preliminary work on Type C Transmitter.

Special Note—It is hoped to obtain at least six volunteers for signal duty at Belcher's Fort on Thursday, 23rd instant.

Corps Infantry
Parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, 21st instant at 5.30 p.m. Details as per Appendix.

APPENDIX
"A" Lewis Gun—Practice Test of Elementary Training, continued from last week—Headquarters.

"B" Lewis Gun—A.A. Stoppages, continued where stopped last week—Headquarters.

"X" & "D" Musketry—Snapping shooting & Rapid Firing—S.A.T. Vol. 1, 1931, pp. 121-123, Sec. 32 omitting para 120 para 9—Headquarters.

"B" Company
Class A Lewis Gun—Elementary Snapping—Assembling Stage II—Headquarters.

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S'PORE POLICE BAFFLED

41,000 GUILDERS IN
SEALED BAG STOLEN

No Sign Of
Tampering

Singapore, Jan. 8.
The Singapore police regard the theft of the 41,000 guilders (over \$45,000) from a registered parcel sent to Batavia on Dec. 31, 1935, by the N.V. Nederlandsch Indische Handelsbank, of Singapore, as one of the cleverest of recent years. Several statements have been taken.

"There was no irregularity in the packing of the money here," said an official of the Bank to a Free Press reporter.

The packet was one of three (the two others containing 10,000 and 20,000 guilders each) handed in at the General Post Office at 1.10 p.m.

Inquiries at the Post Office show that they passed through the hands of three clerks in a period of ten minutes. The usual procedure of dealing with registered articles was then followed.

50 OTHER PACKETS

The packets, with 50 others destined for Batavia, were enclosed in a green registered bag which was sealed. This bag was then placed in the ordinary mail bag which was also sealed.

The packets were then sent by mail van to the S.S. Van Outhorn which left Singapore at 3 p.m. What happened at the other end was explained by an official of the General Post Office.

"As soon as registered mail arrives at any place," he said, "the postal authorities first examine the seal on the mail bag and then the seal on the registered letter bag. The articles are then entered in a book and delivered."

"If any of the two seals show signs of tampering, a report is immediately sent to the office of origin by means of either a verification note or by cable."

IN GOOD CONDITION

"If there had been any such irregularity, the post office at Batavia would have communicated with us immediately. We knew nothing of the theft until informed by the Singapore police. If anything had taken place in the post office there would have been obvious signs of tampering."

The packet of 41,000 guilders was delivered to its address in good condition outwardly.

The sending by post of any article, containing negotiable instruments payable to bearer, bank notes or currency notes unless sent by registered or insured letter post is prohibited.

Stripping, Assembly Stage I—Headquarters.

LECTURE

There will be a lecture for the S. C. Staff at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, 21st instant at 5.30 p.m. All ranks should attend.

RANGE ALLOTMENT

Miniature Range—Tuesday, 21.1.36—Armoured Car Section.

TRANSFER

Lieut. M. I. de Ville, Corps 1st Battery, is transferred to Unit Reserve with effect from January 17, 1936.

LEAVE

Major E. J. R. Mitchell, O.B.E., is granted leave from 20.1.36 to 1.3.36 on Medical grounds.

Corps Orders No. 51/35 dated 20.1.35, Lieut. C. de S. Robertson, M.M., returned from leave as from 15th instant. Period of leave granted from 15.1.36-31.3.36 is hereby cancelled.

No. 1788, L/Cpl. G. W. Boydlen, Corps Engineers granted 12 months leave from 31.1.36 to 31.1.37.

STRENGTH

No. 2532, Gunner J. M. Millin, 6. Essex Crescent, Battery "A" Sec. 13.1.36.

No. 2533, Trumpeter C. H. D. Foley, No. 1, W.O.s Wren, Engineer Coy. 13.1.36.

No. 2534, Signaller Sarwan Singh, Queen's College, Corps Signals, 16.1.36.

(Sd.) R. C. B. ANDERSON, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

AFFILIATED UNITS

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C. LECTURE
The next lecture in Home Nursing will be held on Monday, January 20, 1936 at P.W.D. Offices at 5.30 p.m.

Head Storeman will arrange for beds, linen, etc.

ENROLMENT

17.1.1936—Miss C. King and Miss G. Lakeman.

(Sd.) K. DURRAN, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

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COMEDY IN NORTH CHINA

Another act of the North China drama is over; but its close has left the audience—in China and elsewhere—a trifle puzzled by the departure from some of the precedents set on previous occasions. All the stock characters have appeared—the Japanese militarists, "pride in their port, defiance in their eye," insisting hand on hilt, on prodigious political concessions; their subject-allies of the Japanese Foreign Office, blandly denying that their masters are doing anything abnormal, but tactfully assisting, their action, by diplomatic pressure on Nanking; their creatures the Chinese "autonomists" doing their "comic business" in the wings; the spectator Powers, some mute as oysters, others muttering disapproval—all these have followed the conventions. But there has been one important change. The Nanking Government, instead of succumbing after a brief face-saving resistance to the military and diplomatic jiu-jitsu of its expert opponents, have resisted pressure, evaded arm-locks and strangleholds, and escaped on better terms than their friends or enemies could have expected.

Less than two months ago the ambitious chiefs of the Japanese Kwantung Army were insisting on the complete autonomy of five provinces in Northern China—in other words, on their detachment from the loose control of the Government of Nanking and their conversion into a sort of buffer-State under Japanese "protection." The design was not very successfully camouflaged by an autonomist movement which was described by Japanese diplomats as purely "spontaneous," but was chiefly supported by paid agitators or by members of the less reputable professions. The few Chinese officials in the five threatened provinces who supported this movement took pains to show that they were under duress; most refused to play; and, though the Japanese made it clear that they would forcibly oppose any intervention on the part of the Central Government, it became clear to them that there had been a misfire. In the end the question was settled by a compromise, after negotiation with delegates from Nanking, where the settlement of the dispute was followed by a change of Cabinet. General Chiang Kai-shek has become President of the Executive Yuan, a post corresponding to that of Prime Minister; six of his nine colleagues have, like him, been educated in Japan, and one of these, Mr. Chiang Tso-pin, was until recently Ambassador at Tokyo; and the composition of the Ministry suggests that the new Administration can co-operate with Japan if the Japanese militarists do not alienate it by further bullying. The arrangement reached is a compromise. Two provinces, Hopei and Chahar, are to obtain a fairly wide measure of home rule; but the Nanking Government will continue to appoint their officials, and control their military, financial, and judicial administrations and their relations with foreign Powers.

Such are the main lines of an agreement which will certainly strengthen the Japanese position in Northern China, but does not strengthen it nearly so much as the Japanese military chiefs had hoped. It still remains to be seen how it will be carried out and how

FOUR STUDENTS FROM CHINA

To Be Trained In Engineering

London, Jan. 17. Four Chinese engineering students have arrived by the P. and O. Ranzhi for practical training in British engineering works on scholarships of the Federation of British Industries. They had luncheon to-day with the members of the Federation of British Industries Committee. The students will begin training on Monday in the works of leading firms in Manchester, West Bromwich, Thornby-on-Tees and Birmingham. Four more Chinese students are due in February.—*Reuter*.

RETENTION OF NORTH CHINA REVENUES

London, Jan. 17. Financial circles are not perturbed at the prospect of North China's retention of revenues. It is anticipated that the only question in time is whether the Customs also will be retained. Nevertheless it is opined that interest in Chinese loans is so widespread between the powers including Japan that it is fairly certain North China will contribute the quota payment and interest.—*Reuter*.

COTTON SUBSIDY IN AMERICA

New York, Jan. 17. According to the New York "Times," Congressmen from cotton states have obtained a virtual promise of a cotton subsidy. The programme pegging the price to twelve cents per pound will not be abandoned.—*Reuter*.

interpreted. There is something in the air of China, or at least of North China, that is adverse to precision. Truces and pacts are drawn up with a vagueness that lends itself to a variety of interpretations. It is significant in this case that the Japanese militarists profess their conviction that the Political Council which will administer the affairs of the two provinces will be genuinely autonomous, while some Chinese local leaders maintain that there will be no appreciable loosening of the ties with Nanking. The available evidence of the intentions of the Japanese Army is still contradictory. On the one hand the composition of the new Hopei-Chahar Political Council has been an agreeable surprise to the people of Peiping (except the students), since it gives the impression that the Central Government have had a say in some of the chief appointments. On the other hand yesterday's report from Kalgan that the Japanese are attempting to secure the cession of six border districts of Chahar to Manchukuo suggests that their militarists confuse autonomy with anarchy. Again, while the salt and Customs revenues are still being paid to Nanking, the Japanese military spokesman at Tientsin has prophesied—and he may know—that this practice will be discontinued—a warning that will not please the creditors of China. The ultimate aim of Japanese policy in North China is also uncertain. It may be purely military—the creation of a flank-guard to cover Manchukuo in a future war, or again it may be simply designed to force China into an alliance with the Japanese Empire. More important, however, than these speculations is the attitude of the Japanese Foreign Office. Last week its spokesman delivered a severe criticism of the Nine-Power Treaty guaranteeing the sovereignty and integrity of China, which he concluded with the phrase: "the world is moving and the treaty 'does not move'." He seemed indeed to contend that in North China at least the Treaty is obsolete, an opinion which is certainly not yet accepted in London or in Washington. His statement was all the more interesting since it was expressed after reports of Sir Samuel Hoare's and Mr. Cordell Hull's statements on the Chinese situation had been published in Japan, and shortly before the opening of the Naval Conference. It is at least conceivable that the Japanese Government have some bargain in mind, and that we shall hear more from its spokesman as soon as the discrepancy between American naval policy and Japanese claims becomes obvious in the Locarno Room.

H.K. ENGLISH FORUM

Dinner And Dance Well Supported

The First Anniversary Dinner and Dance of the Hong Kong English Forum was held last night at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden. This function, the first of its kind, was very well attended and many were the charming faces gathered together to grace the occasion. The President Mr. J. Poon and his Committee are to be congratulated for the arranging of the function which was enjoyed by all who attended.

During the course of the evening a delightful surprise was accorded to the revellers when Miss Elsie Yuen, accompanied on the piano by Miss Julia Banker, rendered several songs in a really charming voice.

The English Forum is an Association mainly composed of returned Chinese students from abroad and the education they have received has been put to good use during the past year in the form of debates, lectures and other social activities.

Following a very pleasant dinner the President addressed the gathering and said that it was only a year ago since the English Forum was inaugurated at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Meetings were held twice a month and during the past year the Forum had had the pleasure of listening to many talks by prominent local residents including Mr. R. C. H. Lim, Mr. George She and Father G. Byrne. Mr. Poon added that a debate was held against the Canton English Forum and a return debate was scheduled to take place in February. He concluded expressing the hope that the Second Anniversary Dance would be graced by an even larger attendance than the present occasion.

Among the guests of the evening were many members of the Canadian Chinese Club, on whose behalf Mr. George Chan spoke wishing the English Forum in Hong Kong every success. Dancing was then indulged in to the strains of the Hotel Orchestra and an amusing innovation was a balloon dance which formed a diverting interlude. Judging from the attendance last night it will be safe to assume that the English Forum as a body is well established.

MR. RUDYARD KIPLING

London, Jan. 17. Mr. Rudyard Kipling is making a gallant fight for his life since midnight. Last night his wife and daughter have been at his bedside. A bulletin was issued every hour and at 6 a.m. this morning, his condition is stated to be critical and he has received blood transfusion and also oxygen. The doctor attending him states that he still had a fighting chance.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

FRANCE WARNS GERMANY

Demilitarised Zone Violation

Paris, Jan. 16. A strong warning to Germany to keep her hands off the demilitarised zone in the Rhineland, was given by the French Ambassador at Berlin to Herr von Buelow, the German Secretary of State, in the course of conversations at the Wilhelmstrasse last Monday, it is learned here to-night.

The French Ambassador declared that if Germany attempted to militarise this zone France would be obliged to take military measures of the utmost importance.

He also assured von Buelow that the Franco-British military agreement only concerned the Mediterranean Zone, and that there was no question of any Franco-British military agreement contrary to the Treaty of Locarno.

In reply to the Ambassador's protest, von Buelow promised that the recent German press campaign against demilitarisation of the Rhineland zone should cease, though the promise has hitherto borne no fruit.

French quarters understand that the British Government is equally disturbed by the German attitude with respect to the demilitarised zone.—*Reuter*.

LONDON NAVAL CONFERENCE

Japan Only An Observer

London, Jan. 16. Following to-day's decision at the Naval Conference to invite the Japanese to continue to attend as observers, it was agreed that the status of the conference would not be changed. The reason for this attitude was explained to Reuter by an eminent member of the British delegation, who said the decision expressed the hope that the conference decisions would be acceptable later to Japan, as much of the usefulness of the delegates' work depended upon the attitude of the Japanese towards it.

He regretted the Japanese departure, he said, particularly as with a little less rigidity on the Japanese side they might have done good work.

The British unofficial spokesman declared the Japanese press had rightly emphasised that the country does not intend to embark upon a naval race. "Nor does anybody else," he added. "Nevertheless, the absence of agreements makes a race almost inevitable, and the most dangerous race of all would be in the qualitative field," he asserted.

BRITAIN'S SYMPATHY

Great Britain sympathises with the Japanese political difficulties, but by leaving the conference and refusing to discuss either quantitative or qualitative limitation of armaments or the plan for an exchange of building programmes, the Japanese had brought the risk of this much-feared naval race rather closer.

Questioned on the likelihood of an Anglo-American building race, the British spokesman declared that Britain and America were at one in the desire to preserve the principle of parity, although there was no binding agreement.

It was inferred from this statement that the United States does recognise Great Britain's need for larger cruiser strength.

The British spokesman asserted that the British and American delegations do not intend to include in bi-lateral talks on the question of relative quantitative strengths. It is recalled that these two countries had long bi-lateral talks before the conference was called and it is assumed that a satisfactory tacit understanding on these points was reached then.—*Reuter*.

FIRST AGREEMENT

London, Jan. 16. The Naval Conference reached its first agreement this afternoon when, without the Japanese delegates, the first committee agreed to the desirability of exchanging advance notification of naval programmes.

The committee drafted a letter to Admiral Osami Nagano, the retiring Japanese spokesman, expressing regret at the decision to leave the conference and inviting them to attend as observers.

The meeting adjourned until tomorrow to appoint a sub-committee to assimilate the British, French and Italian plans and to discuss qualitative naval limitations.—*Reuter*.

BREEZY SCENE AT ARMS INQUIRY

Washington, Jan. 16.

Breezy scenes in the United States Senate followed the adjournment for a week of the Senate Munitions Inquiry. Senator Connally attacked Senator Nye's statement that the late President Woodrow Wilson was guilty of falsification in stating in 1919 that he knew nothing of planes to divide territory between the victorious Allies before he went to the Versailles Peace Conference.

Senator Connally hotly declared: "Senator Nye has wantonly and flagrantly insulted the memory of President Wilson."

"This inquiry," he referred to the Senate Munitions Investigations—"is an unseemly effort to beamish America's record in the Great War. The Committee of Investigation is prowling around a graveyard and attacking the dead president."

Mr. J. P. Morgan, the head of the great financial and industrial house which bears his name, violently resented the charge made at the inquiry that the United States had been "bought" into the war with British money.—*Reuter*.

JOURNEY FROM PEIPING TO KASHGAR

British Diplomat Relates His Experiences

New Delhi, Jan. 17. Sir Eric Teichman, who arrived here to-day by air from Rawalpindi after his adventurous journey from Peiping to Kashgar on a special mission, interviewed by Reuter, said he might have proceeded to England from Urumchi by the Siberian railway, but he was anxious to visit India.

He was unable to use motor trucks beyond Kashgar, where the only means of transport is by pack animals.

He had a good journey from Kashgar until he reached Gilgit despite the extreme cold in the Pamirs where the temperature fell to twenty degrees below zero at night.

He flew the Avro plane from Gilgit at a height of 15,000 feet

and had wonderful views of Nangaparbat and other peaks on the Karakoram range in the Western Himalayas. It enabled him to accomplish the journey to Rawalpindi by air in two and a half hours whereas it would have taken a pack animal sixteen days. Moreover the Bural Pass was impassable owing to thousands of feet of snow.

Sir Eric expects to stay at Delhi until the middle of February except for a short visit to Bombay to meet Lady Teichman who is arriving from England on January 24.

He is preparing a report dealing among other questions those relating to the future of Anglo-Indian trade in Sinkiang.—*Rengo*.

DELEGATES TO NANKING SATISFIED

Nanking, Jan. 17. Apparently satisfied with General Chiang Kai-shek's assurances, the three hundred student delegates and educators assembled here during the last few days are departing to-morrow.

The delegates this morning were taken to various strategic points around Nanking to see the capital's defences. In the afternoon they proceeded to the tombs of the soldiers killed in the revolutionary campaigns and Sino-Japanese Shanghai hostilities where they paid homage under the leadership of Mr. Chang Po-lin, President of Nankai University.

Free transportations for the returning delegates were arranged by the Government Railways and Chinese Steamship Companies.—*Reuter*.

CHINA'S FOREIGN POLICY

Nanking, Jan. 17.

The Government will not sign any agreement which is derogatory to China's territorial or sovereign rights, nor will it consider signing any secret agreements, declared General Chiang Kai-shek in a statement on foreign policy made to educators and students attending a conference of 300 delegates yesterday afternoon.

The Generalissimo declared that he would not evade his responsibility and asked the public to have confidence in the Government and not hamper its work in dealing with difficult foreign problems.

General Chiang said it became inevitable at times for the Government to make sacrifices in order to preserve the unity of the nation, and added that the Central Government will not shrink from making such sacrifices.—*Reuter*.

NEWS SUMMARY

Eleven Chinese were charged before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with the theft of 16 gallons of diesel oil from the Government launch H.D.I. The prosecution failed to prove that theft had been committed and his Worship discharged the defendants. Page 5.

While on patrol in Park Road near the junction of Breezy Path on Wednesday night, Sergeant W. Sullivan, effected the arrest of a Chinese who was tampering with the wooden gate of 2 Park Road. The man, Ho Ngau, 28, unlicensed hawk, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court yesterday and pleaded guilty to charges of attempted theft and the possession of a screw-driver. Page 5.

"This appears to be a very bad case of dealing in human beings," said Inspector K. W. Andrew, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, when he prosecuted Sin See Mul, 45, married woman, and Ng Chan-shi, alias Chan Sam, 58, widow, who appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday charged in connection with a transaction concerning the sale of a male child three weeks old, at No. 859 Canton Road, third floor. Page 6.

Reference to the antiquated character of Queen's College building was made at the annual prize-giving this morning by the Headmaster, Mr. F. J. de Rome, who stated that the school was not ideally situated nor was it suited to the requirements of a modern school. In his reply on the subject, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, who distributed the prizes, said that anybody who was studying the public finance of the Colony seriously would agree with him that the project of new buildings must be relegated for the present to the category of castles in the air. Page 7.

An 18-year-old Hawaiian, Roko Nakame, appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday and was fined a total of \$300, with the alternative of four months' hard labour for staying away on the Empress of Canada from Kobe to Hong Kong, and with entering the port without a valid passport. Page 6.

Loans to public servants in contravention of the Public Servants' Liabilities Ordinance of 1917, formed the subject of a case heard at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when three Government servants, employed at the Crown Land Office, P.W.D., appeared before Mr. W. Schofield on remanded summons of obtaining money by false pretences from an Indian, described as a registered money-lender. Page 6.

LT. C. C. GARTHWAITE MEETS WITH ACCIDENT

A nasty accident befell a well-known local sportsman in the person of Lt. C. C. Garthwaite, of Interport Cricket fame.

From a report which came to hand late last night it appeared that Lt. Garthwaite was returning to Tai Lam camp on Thursday night, and when nearing the Castle Peak Road, a dog ran across his car. In trying to avoid the animal, Lt. Garthwaite swerved his car, which fell over a two-foot bank and toppled into the sea.

Lt. Garthwaite, we understand, was somewhat badly injured in the neck, but fortunately not with any serious consequences.

PARSEE COMMUNIST'S DEATH

London, Jan. 16.

The death has occurred of Mr. Shapurji Saklatvala, the Parsee, who formerly sat as Communist M.P. for North Battersea.

Mr. Saklatvala, who was born in Bombay, the son of a Parsee merchant, studied in England, where he was called to the Bar. He sat for North Battersea from 1922 to 1928, but lost his seat in 1929. For his activities in the General Strike in 1926, he was sent to gaol for two months. Later he had not been permitted to visit India, on the ground that he was likely to make inflammatory speeches.—*Reuter*.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The R.E.O.C.A. is holding a Dance at China Fleet Club to-night at 8.30.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. John Erskine Yule Walker, assistant manager, Hong Kong Jockey Club stables, and Miss Gladys Margaret Moore, nurse, of "Endville," Repulse Bay.

After an absence of several years, Mr. C. A. S. Russ, the well-known solicitor, has returned to the Colony. Mr. Russ was formerly connected with the firm which bears his name, Russ & Co., but he has now set up his own practice in Bank of Canton Building.

Wong Fuk, driver of bus No. 659, has reported to the police that while driving in Prince Edward Road on Thursday, a woman passenger, Yim Ying, jumped off the bus while it was in motion and received injuries. She was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

Lam Shun, aged 24 years, of Stanley, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital on Thursday suffering from severe injuries caused when he jumped off a tram car in motion in Queen's Road East. His condition is reported to be critical.

A dinner dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel to-day and a tea dance on Sunday, January 19. Special extra bus service has been arranged for the convenience of the Patrons attending dinner dance; in addition to the ordinary time table:—H.K.H.: 8 p.m., 8.30 p.m., 9 p.m.; and R.B.H.: 1 a.m., 1.15 a.m., 1.30 a.m.

There were 3 cases of Diphtheria and two of Enteric Fever reported during the 24 hours ended on Thursday.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ending January 11 gives the following cases of notifiable diseases: Plague 2 cases in Colombo; Cholera 38 cases in Calcutta; 7 in Negapatnam; and 15 in Bangkok, while small-pox claims 22 cases in Bombay; 105 in Calcutta; 6 in Karachi; 3 deaths in Moult; 1 death in Negapatnam; 10 cases in Vizagapatnam and 1 in Shanghai.

A well-equipped school for teaching members of the Hitler Youth the rudiments of seamanship was opened on December 15 at Prieros, on the River Danube, not far from Berlin. The course is to last one month, and there is accommodation for 75 boys at a time. The best of the boys will be drafted into the mercantile marine. "The school is conducted," it is stated, "in strictly military form." Physical drill, boat drill, and lectures on navigation occupy the greater part of the boys' time. Their day begins at 6.30 a.m. The opening of more schools of this kind is contemplated.

Willingness of the American beer drinker to take his beverage out of a tin can instead of the traditional glass bottle led to an important industrial innovation in 1935, potentially of great benefit to the international tin trade, the American Iron and Steel Institute reported. Maintenance of tin plate production in the late autumn at 60 per cent. of capacity, well above the seasonal average, was authoritatively attributed to the rising demand for beer-containers, sale of which already has reached immense volume. The American Iron and Steel Institute estimated that 1,500,000,000 cans will be used for beer in 1936.

The United States sailor-President is to have a new yacht. Mr. Roosevelt revealed that the converted houseboat Sequoia would be turned back to the Department of Commerce and that in the future he would do his week-end cruising in one of the new Coast Guard patrol boats. The vessel assigned to him is the "Electra," of steel construction, about 150 feet long and powered with Diesel engines. The President observed that the change also would permit the turning back to the Coast Guard of the little patrol boat "Cuyahoga" which has been used as an escort ship by the Secret Service men. He said that in peace times the "Electra" would be the presidential yacht and in case of war would revert to the Coast Guard for defence purposes.

EPIC RESCUE OF EXPLORERS LOST IN ANTARCTIC

Full Story Still To Be Told

ELLSWORTH AND HIS COMPANION SAFE

Located After Nearly Two Months

London, January 17. The American airman, Lincoln Ellsworth and his Canadian pilot, Harold Gatty, who for two months have been missing in the Antarctic are both alive and well.

The full story of their rescue has yet to be told and further radio messages are eagerly awaited from the British research ship Discovery II which yesterday reported having sighted "one man and aeroplane at Little America" and today in a further wireless message announced that both missing men were safe.

Atmospheric have interfered with wireless communications from Discovery II. There were corrupt groups in yesterday's message and today's radio reports are incomplete.

Experts consider it probable that the aeroplane sent out from Discovery II, after locating the missing men and plane, returned to the vessel possibly owing to fading light yesterday and this morning went again to the spot, landed and picked up the two airmen.

Until these messages were received from Discovery II nothing had been heard of Ellsworth and his companion since their last wireless message on November 24.

They had set out on the previous day from Dundee Island, New Zealand, in an aeroplane, the Polar Star, to fly 2,000 miles across the Antarctic to Admiral Byrd's base at Little America, where it had been arranged that the base ship Wyatt Earp, commanded by Sir Hubert Wilkins, should pick the party up between January 22 and 25. Wyatt Earp is now reported 420 miles away.

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Ellsworth's plane carried enough fuel for 20 hours flying and food sufficient to last for eight weeks.—*British Wireless.*

CONGRATULATIONS

Canberra, Jan. 17. Mr. J. A. Lyons, Premier of Australia has sent a wireless message to the Captain and members of the crew of Discovery II congratulating them on locating Lincoln Ellsworth and Gatty.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

ELLSWORTH ABOARD

London, Jan. 17. A party from Discovery II has taken Ellsworth aboard the ship.—*Reuter.*

LORD GREY OF FALLODEN

Memorial Proposal

London, Jan. 17. A three-fold memorial to Lord Grey of Fallofen, who was Foreign Secretary at the outbreak of war, is proposed in a letter issued under the signatures of Mr. Baldwin, the Archbishop of Canterbury and others. It is planned to set up a statue or bust in a central spot in London; to acquire and make over to the National Trust, Ross Castle, a small hilltop crowned by ancient earthwork which adjoins Chillingham Park in Northumberland, a favourite viewpoint of Lord Grey's; to develop by further endowment and otherwise the existing scheme of research maintained by the British Trust for Ornithology at Oxford to form a permanent institute of bird studies to which his name would be attached.—*British Wireless.*

MADAME STAVISKY NOT GUILTY

Paris, Jan. 17. After considering their verdict all night long, the jury found Madame Staviscky not guilty, but found nine others guilty on various charges of swindling.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

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Ellsworth's plane carried enough fuel for 20 hours flying and food sufficient to last for eight weeks.—*British Wireless.*

Until these messages were received from Discovery II nothing had been heard of Ellsworth and his companion since their last wireless message on November 24.

LORD GREY OF FALLODEN

Memorial Proposal

London, Jan. 17. A three-fold memorial to Lord Grey of Fallofen, who was Foreign Secretary at the outbreak of war, is proposed in a letter issued under the signatures of Mr. Baldwin, the Archbishop of Canterbury and others. It is planned to set up a statue or bust in a central spot in London; to acquire and make over to the National Trust, Ross Castle, a small hilltop crowned by ancient earthwork which adjoins Chillingham Park in Northumberland, a favourite viewpoint of Lord Grey's; to develop by further endowment and otherwise the existing scheme of research maintained by the British Trust for Ornithology at Oxford to form a permanent institute of bird studies to which his name would be attached.—*British Wireless.*

MADAME STAVISKY NOT GUILTY

Paris, Jan. 17. After considering their verdict all night long, the jury found Madame Staviscky not guilty, but found nine others guilty on various charges of swindling.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*



Lincoln Ellsworth, American airman and explorer, who has been rescued after nearly two months' stranding in the Antarctic wastes.

SILVER POSITION IN LONDON

Rapidly Nearing A Climax

London, Jan. 17. The silver position is rapidly nearing a climax as to-morrow's very heavy Bombay settlement approaches.

London is apparently heading for a further fall to-day with selling pressure becoming more pronounced. On the other hand Indian buying at present is very small as the difference between Bombay and London prices is rapidly becoming insufficient to attract arbitrage transactions.

London's open position is constantly diminishing, but it is still estimated around ten million ounces and necessitates large covering in sales of spot metal. Nevertheless the bottom by no means is considered likely to fall from the market since the Indian and upcountry demand still continues to be most encouraging.

At the same time a lower level in quotations will quite possibly result in resumption of U.S. Treasury purchases on a large scale and also bring out a renewed hoarding demand from the Far East should the Chinese rate be maintained at the present level.—*Reuter.*

SILVER MARKET

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Jan. 17. London silver prices to-day were down 7/8 for "Spot" and unquoted for "Forward" as follows:—

Spot	19-7/8	19
Forward	unquoted	unquoted

FUTURE OF TIN INDUSTRY

Optimism At London Meeting

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EARTHQUAKE IN INDIA

Quetta, Jan. 17. A severe earthquake shock lasting six seconds accompanied by rumbling noises occurred at 7:30 this morning. No damage is reported so far.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

PREMIER LAVAL STILL IN DIFFICULTY

Radical Ministers May Decide To Resign

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Paris, January 17. The inner political situation remains obscure in spite of Premier Laval's victory in the Chamber on Thursday. The ambiguous attitude taken by the Radical Minister of State, M. Herriot, since Thursday, causes the press to express doubt whether the Government will survive the week-end.

M. Herriot, it is said, informed M. Laval during a conversation which he had with the Premier on Thursday morning of his irrevocable intention to leave the Cabinet. Although M. Laval, according to some of the papers, even summoned the Governor of the Bank of France, M. Tannery, who pointed out to M. Herriot the fatal consequences which a Government crisis would have on the situation of the treasury, the Premier merely succeeded in eliciting a promise from Herriot that he would recommend other Radical Ministers to remain in the Cabinet.

M. Herriot, it is believed, is determined to reconquer the leadership of the Radical Party even at the price of his own resignation from the Cabinet.

Immediately after the vote in the Chamber where 88 out of 160 Radical deputies voted against M. Laval, the Premier summoned the Radical Ministers M. Regnier, Bonnet, Paganon, Maupail and Bertrand to discuss with them the new situation created by the vote.

Although no reliable information is as yet available as to the outcome of this conference, political quarters expect that a new Radical Socialist Party leader will be elected and M. Herriot's resignation will be announced before the meeting of the party's executive committee on Sunday.

If the other Radical Ministers should likewise decide to resign, the Cabinet crisis will probably be unavoidable, since it is thought unlikely that M. Laval will be content with a mere reform of his Cabinet in that event.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS

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Cairo, Jan. 17. The British High Commissioner for Egypt, Sir Miles Lampson, according to informed quarters here, definitely assured the leader of "the United Front" of the Egyptian parties, that the British Government is willing to enter into negotiations for the conclusion of an Anglo-Egyptian Treaty.

The British High Commissioner, however, it is said, expressed the opinion that negotiations should be postponed till after the elections so that the British Government would be able to negotiate with a representative Egyptian Government. This would mean the postponement of the parleys till the spring, since the Egyptian elections are not expected to take place before then.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

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GRAZIANI'S SUCCESS CONFIRMED

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Rome, Jan. 18. Earlier reports of General Graziani's victorious offensive on the Somali front, is confirmed by the official Communiqué No. 98 issued here on Thursday, which states that the battle on Gansale Dorya River is nearing its end, with complete success to Italian arms; the Italian troops having advanced more than 40 miles along the entire front and everywhere have broken the enemy's stubborn resistance.

The Communiqué goes on to say that the troops of Ras Desta are retreating in disorder, being pursued by the Italians and that strong detachments of the enemy's rear guard, who ensconced themselves in the mountain caves, vainly tried to check the pursuit.

The Abyssinians' losses are stated to be considerable, but no figures are given as yet. The Communiqué adds that the air force co-operated effectively with the troops in action and also bombed the Abyssinian camps concentrating near Daggahbur, and Sasasaneh. The Abyssinian position has likewise been bombed on the Eritrean front near Andino.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

ITALY'S VIEWS ON AIR BOMBING

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Berlin, Jan. 17. Speaking at the inaugural meeting of the Chamber of Commerce for Fomerania, the Minister of Economy and President of the Reichsbank, Dr. Schacht, dealing with a number of technical points raised by a previous speaker, stressed that the chief thing in economical policy was not the discussion of theoretical questions specially since various technical questions were interpreted by everybody in a different way.

In this respect the Minister mentioned various rumours constantly recurring abroad that fundamental differences of opinion existed between Hitler and his associates. It was gratifying to him that in Germany there was only one policy and also only one economic policy, namely that of Adolf Hitler, and that every citizen's greatest satisfaction lay in working for him and his aims.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

Without making any direct denial, the Italian authorities have answered the charge that their war planes bombed a British ambulance, unit "near Dessye" for four hours, inflicting heavy casualties on civilians, with the assertion that they bombed two camps on the day in question.

An authoritative source says that with regard to the alleged bombing of an ambulance near Dessye, it is stated that Italian planes bombed two camps, one containing two hundred tents and many troops and the other five hundred tents.

If an ambulance was hit it was its own fault, says the Italian statement, for according to the Red Cross convention it should not have been stationed among fighting troops.—*Reuter.*



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FRANCO-GERMAN RELATIONS

Plea For Better Understanding

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Berlin, Jan. 17. An eloquent plea for better Franco-German understanding was made by Commander Lhopital, president of the Franco-German Fellowship Committee "France Allemagne" in a press interview here on Thursday.

The Commander who is visiting Berlin in order to attend the first showing of the film "The Wise Woman" which is a joint Franco-German production, said: "We Germans and Frenchmen must tell each other the truth in all frankness. Dreamers benefit neither of our peoples. We must squarely face things which prevent our getting together because we confidently believe in the necessity of our co-operation."

Pointing out that he also was a member of the executive committee of the Franco-British Society, the speaker went on to say that the three nations, Germany, France, and England should stand together, adding that the Franco-German Committee would do nothing which might prejudice Franco-British co-operation.

On the contrary, so he stressed, the work of these committees as well as of the German-British Society and the Anglo-German Fellowship are not directed against anyone, but all of them were serving the purpose of bringing about better understanding, which he hoped would be attained by slow degrees.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

FORCED LANDING IN SUDAN

Khartoum, Jan. 18. The Italian plane which was forced to make a landing at Tokar, in the Sudan, was a large three-engined monoplane which is believed to have lost its way when returning to Asmara after a bombing expedition.

The District Commissioner moved to the scene of the landing and took the four occupants of the plane to Tokar. The aeroplane is now under guard.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

ITALIANS CONTINUE AIR BOMBING

Dessye, Jan. 17. Four Italian planes bombed Khoram, a hundred miles north of Dessye.

During yesterday's air raid at Walidia in which the Red-Cross unit was damaged 14 were killed and 35 wounded. The planes dropped thousands of leaflets promising to restore all Abyssinian churches destroyed by war.—*Reuter.*

PREMIER IN CONFERENCE

London, Jan. 18. For the fourth day in succession, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, held a meeting with Ministers who throughout the progress of the Italo-Ethiopian war have been acting as a committee on defence matters.

High officials attended the conference.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

DESIRE FOR PEACE

Former Fighters To Swear Oath

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press").
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Paris, Jan. 17. An immense demonstration of solidarity of all the countries whose soldiers fought in the World War is planned by the Federation of ex-Servicemen's Societies here, to take place on the 20th anniversary of the beginning of the Battle of Verdun on July 11 to 13, when a veritable pilgrimage will converge on the battle fields around Verdun City.

Part of the vast concourse of ex-soldiers will make their way to Verdun on foot, part will be brought by motor cars. The closing act of the demonstration will be the swearing of a solemn peace oath by all those present. This vow will be uttered in almost all the chief languages of the earth, since the significance of the whole event will lie in its universality.

The assembling of the former friends and foes in this joint demonstration, it is hoped, will convince the world's governments that the people of the earth want and expect their governments to preserve the nations from another outbreak of war.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

NEGUS TO CONSULT HIS ADVISER

Addis Ababa, Jan. 16. News that the American adviser to the Emperor Haile Selassie, Mr. Colson, has left by air for Dessye, is interpreted here to mean that the Emperor is seriously studying certain tentative peace proposals which a group of smaller European powers are anxious to put forward.

As the Emperor's departure for the northern front won't be long delayed, this may be the last occasion for some time that he will have the opportunity of personally consulting Mr. Colson.—*Reuter.*

CITY OF KHARTOUM INQUEST

Alexandria, Jan. 16. The City of Khartoum, inquest, which is probing the loss of the big Imperial Airways plane here, adjourned to-day until further notice. It probably will not be resumed until the arrival of Captain Travers, who at present is piloting the airliner on the run between India and Africa.

This man's evidence is considered essential as it may throw light upon the alleged lack of instant action in organizing a search for the delayed ship.—*Reuter.*

QUEEN'S COLLEGE SPEECH DAY

(Continued from Page 7.)

STAFF CHANGES

Mr. Ng Fung-chau, the senior Anglo-Chinese master in the Education Department, retired on pension from Queen's College in November after 37 years of faithful and loyal service. I regret the impending departure of Mr. H. G. Wallington and K. L. Chau, on transfer to other schools, after 12 years excellent service at Queen's.

RECRUITING EXAMINATION FOR CLERKS

Owing to the change in the School year this Examination now cuts right across our school year and I would again plead that the School Leaving Examination be taken by Government, as their recruiting examination for clerks. During the year Government levelled and returned at considerable expense, a large portion of our recreation ground at Causeway Bay. I can assure Government that it was money well spent. Since then the ground has been made available for organised games for four other Government schools, and I have no hesitation in saying that school games for all of us have taken on a new lease of life. There is tremendous activity nowadays in games: we play cricket, football, hockey, tennis, volleyball and basketball and both inter-class and inter-school matches are arranged regularly. Occasionally we play teams from Canton, etc. Our organised games now take place during school hours: parties of 100-150 boys go down twice a week, in charge of masters, and all boys, unless specially exempted, are expected to play games.

SPLENDID BASEMENT

Under this hall we have a splendid basement, equipped for indoor recreation—ping pong, chess, reading of library books and magazines, display of pictures, current events, newspapers, etc. It is invariably crowded both before and after school. A few months ago the boys in charge of this basement started a weekly periodical of their own: it is typed, in English and Chinese, is illustrated and is planned up for all to read—a most commendable effort. I regret to say that only 30-40 per cent. of our boys can swim, rather deplorable in a place like Hong Kong. It would be a splendid thing, if only for their physique, if school boys could be sent regularly to the beaches in the summer months as was the case a few years ago before the Government beaches were closed down. With our medium of Physical Training in school, organised games in the winter, and organised swimming in the summer, the problem of Physical Education, on which so much stress is laid in modern education all over the world, would in large measure be solved—of tremendous benefit to the pupils individually and to the Colony generally.

BODY BUILDING

The increased alertness in school during the last few months has been remarkable and many members of my staff have commented on this. It is a common thing now for boys themselves to open up doors and windows, rather than sit as heretofore in stuffy rooms. I should like to remove a misapprehension which, I understand, exists in the minds of certain parents, viz., that school hours devoted to organised games are so much waste time, or perhaps I should say time lost to the pupils' studies. It has been proved by actual experiment at home that the work was better done after the introduction of these games—I can assure parents that there will be no loss of efficiency on this score and that the school work will not be allowed to suffer. Formerly, apart from a few aristocrats at games, it was all work and little or no play there is little danger of the pendulum swinging too far the other way. Each boy gets only a couple of hours a fortnight at these games and I do not think this can be regarded as excessive.

The "Yellow Dragon," our school magazine, which has appeared without a break since 1899, continues to flourish. The Staff and boys, both past and present, contribute to its pages: it is one of the links which join us to the Old Boys' Association. The latter again held a successful dinner in this hall during the year.

Mr. E. Burney, His Majesty's Inspector, on his visit to the school last year remarked on the excellence of our libraries: we have a College Library for Staff and senior pupils (1310 vols.), 19 Class Libraries (1802 vols.), a Science Library (299 vols.), a Teachers' Reference Library (528 vols.) and a Chinese Library (483 vols.).

A notable event during the year was the celebration of the Silver Jubilee of His Majesty the King. We have at least 50 Old Boys at various Universities; at the recent Hongkong University Congregation seven former pupils of Queen's received their degrees. I extend to them our hearty congratulations. I desire to thank Sir Robert Ho Tung for defraying the cost of renovating the paintings which adorn this hall: the Queen's College Old Boys' Association for their continued support and for their generosity in many ways; the Editors of the "Yellow Dragon."

The year has been one of quiet and steady progress: the discipline and tone of the school remain excellent—for this, and for what success has been achieved both in work and play I am indebted to the enthusiastic and devoted labours of my staff, and I thank them.

GOVERNOR'S REPLY

Presenting the awards, H.E. the Governor said:—I am not going to make a long speech, but I want to thank you very heartily for the welcome which you have given this morning. I always enjoy visiting schools because I am one of those lucky people who enjoyed their own school days and like to be reminded of them. To the retrospect, certain, shall we say, salutary but painful incidents fall into a proper, and now painless, perspective. I have listened with great interest to the Headmaster's speech. I don't pretend to understand all that he has said about examinations which is 'lucky' perhaps; because if I had, I might have been tempted into rash and unguarded comment or dissent. I, the Director of Education, feel that representations on this subject should be made to Government: he will doubtless make them and they will of course be carefully considered. I can say no more than that.

As regard new premises for this school anybody who is studying the public finance of this Colony seriously will agree with me that the project of new buildings must be relegated for the present to the category of castles in the air. And as Calverley put it, if you can't realise your ideal you must do your best to idealise the real. In other words we must make the best of what we have got, and from what I have already learned of the traditions and record of Queen's College I know that this will be philosophically and successfully done.

It now remains for me to congratulate not only the prize-winners but the runners-up, that is to say all who have put in a good term's work. Every hard worker may be said to participate in the prizes in the sense that but for a strong competition they wouldn't be worth getting. That is all I have to say except to thank you again, Mr. Headmaster, for asking me to come here this morning.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Senior Morrison Scholarship: Ng Shun Hung.
Intermediate Morrison Scholarship: Chung Pui Sun.
Class 2 Morrison Scholarship: Chau Wing Sum.
Class 3 Morrison Scholarship: Hung Shok Chiu.
Junior Morrison Scholarship: Au Hung Cho.
Wright Scholarship: Pang Kwok Yee.
Ho Tung Scholarship: Lo Kan.
Ho Kow Tong Scholarship: Lo Hung Sang.
Ho Fook Scholarship: Lam Shing Kuen.
Alfred May Scholarship: Lau Pak Kong.
Senior Bellillo Scholarship: N. Ahmed.
Junior Bellillo Scholarship: Fok Cho Man.
Lee Hy San Scholarship: Luk Ki Chiu.
Grant Scholarship: Ng Sui Ching.
Kong Ki Tai Scholarship: Fung Yue Keung.
Tsoi Kung Po Scholarship: Tam Ping Kien.
Lugard Scholarship: Wong Wai Pong.
Government Free Scholarships (for 3 years): Ng Ching Ting, Ho Ka Lam, Ng Tsun Man, Chiu Tak Cheung, Law Cheung Yiu, Kwok Man, Chung.

GOVERNMENT FREE SCHOLARSHIPS

Classes 5-4: Tam Yee Yan.
Classes 5-3: Li Sik Lam.
Classes 5-2: Wong Yue Sing.
Classes 5-1: Ng Kwok Cheung.

WOO HAY TONG SCHOLARSHIPS

Classes 5-4: Leung Sui Chun.
Classes 5-3: Mak Siu Kau.
Classes 5-2: Ngai Kwong To.
Classes 5-1: Yeung Si Lai.
Ho Wing Scholarship: Chow Shing Cho.
Ho In Scholarship: Yeung Woon Lam.
Ho Kwong Scholarship: Ng Kwok Sun.
Dealy Scholarship: Cheung Tat Ming.
Ralphs Scholarship: Fung Chun Fiu.
Ng In Scholarship: Ho Woon Kam.
Tsang Chung Scholarship: Kam Wing Kong.
Sheung Hing Scholarship: Ching Chak Lau.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Machell Memorial Prize: N. Ahmed.
Special Prizes for English:—
Class 1, Ng Shun Hung; Class 2, Chau Wing Sum; Class 3, Hung Shok Chiu.
Woo Lai Woon Translation Prizes (C to E):—
Classes 1-2, Li Hon Wah; Class 3, Yue Shiu Kwan; Classes 4-5, Leung Shiu Chun; (E to C):—
Classes 1-2, Fong Chun Kwan; Class 3, Tam Ping Kien; Classes 4-5, Wai Mo Kul.
Prizes for Mathematics:—Class 1, Chung Pui Sun; Class 2, Lo Hong Sung.
Rumjahn Prize for Literature:—
Ng Shun Hung.
History Prizes:—Class 1, Ng Shun Hung; Class 2, Luk Ki Chiu; Class 3, Wu Kai Hau.
Geography Prizes:—Class 1, Ng Shun Hung; Class 2, Lo Kan; Class 3, Wu Kai Hau.
Composition Prizes:—Class 1, N. Ahmed; Class 2, Chan Wai To; Class 3, Tam Ping Kien.
Urdu Prizes:—Class 2, A. R. Khan; Class 3, 1st A. S. Mohamed; 2nd Hakim Ali.
Special Chinese Prizes:—
Classes 1-4, 1st Pun Yu Po; 2nd Ng Shun Hung; Classes 5-8, 1st Wong Yue Sing; 2nd Hui Chan Kwong.
Prize for Honours in School Certificate Examination: Chung Pui Sun, Fong Chun Kwan, Li Hon Wah, Man Hung Cho, Mok Kai Wing, Nazir Ahmed, Ng Shun Hung, Pang Kwok Yee, Yuen Yuk Luen.
Prize for Distinction in Chinese in School Certificate Examination: Ng Shun Hung.

ENGLISH CLASS PRIZES

1A—1st, Mok Kai Wing; 2nd, Li Hon Wah.
1B—1st, Lee Ngok Hung; 2nd, F. A. Curreen.
2A—1st, Lau King Ching; 2nd, Chan Shu Hay.
2B—1st, Wong Kwok Hung; 2nd, Lai Kwai Wing.
2C—1st, Lam Kiu On; 2nd, Cheung Tai Chi.
2D—1st, Lai Chi Pui; 2nd, N. Singh.
3A—1st, Yue Shiu Kwan; 2nd, Chan Yim Cheong.
3B—1st, Wu Kai Hau; 2nd, Ko Shiu Wing.
3C—1st, Ng Kit Man; 2nd, Chan Kam To.
4A—1st, Kwok Hee Leung; 2nd, To Nim Chi.
4B—1st, Chan Pak Lam; 2nd, Ho Hung To.
5A—1st, Wai Mo Kul; 2nd, Li Shing Ngai.
5B—1st, Yeung An Wah; 2nd, Chun Kam Wal.
6A—1st, Tsoi Hok Kan; 2nd, Tam Ting Kon.
6B—1st, Yuen Fai Ling; 2nd, Tang Hon Yuen.
7A—1st, Cheng Chung Sui; 2nd, Hung Hing Kwal.
7B—1st, Kwong Yuk Shun; 2nd, Chiu Hung Fan.
7C—1st, So Woon; 2nd, Tsoi Kam Kong.
8A—1st, Ip Chung Pui; 2nd, Mok Man Tai.
8B—1st, Wong Che Yung; 2nd, Chau Ka Sau.
8C—1st, Chau Yee Tai; 2nd, Lai Chi Shing.

CHINESE CLASS PRIZES

1A—1st, Pun Yu Po; 2nd, Man Hung Cho.
1B—1st, Fok Koon Yung; 2nd, Wei Chi Yan.
2A—1st, Pang Kai To; 2nd, Fong Chung Chak.
2B—1st, Wong Yan Chow; 2nd, Tong Po Cheung.
2C—1st, Yeung Tak Wa; 2nd, Lo Kwai Hung.
2D—1st, Wong Ho Sun; 2nd, Leung Koi Sin.
3A—1st, Yue Shiu Kwan; 2nd, Chan Ka Cheuk.
3B—1st, Wong Man Tai; 2nd, Mui Kwok Yin.
3C—1st, Au Yeung Pang; 2nd, Yeung Sai Kwong.

GLAD TO BE OUT OF IT

YOUNG BARON ON SUGAR'S PLIGHT

Victim Of Depression

Singapore, Jan. 9.—A young Dutch nobleman who arrived in Singapore yesterday has been a victim of the depression. He is Baron F. d'Auville de Boissieu, travelling from Europe to Java with his wife.

Baron Boissieu is in his early twenties and one of the few remaining members of an old family that originated in France and settled in Holland during the reign of Louis IV.

His family owns large sugar factories in Java, and his wife is heiress to estates in Holland. But he told a Free Press reporter on board the liner Stuttgart yesterday, "The sugar business is in a terrible position; we have been losing all the time."

WONT VISIT FACTORIES The Baron is glad he is not directing his family's business. His father is a rubber planter in Borneo. "I am not even going to see our sugar factories when I am in Java," he added with a bitter smile. "I don't know yet what we will do when we get there."

Many of his co-passengers believe the Baron is an Austrian. But that is only because he has been in Austria many years, speaks fluent German and has many Austrian friends. He also speaks Dutch, French, English and Russian.

His chief hobby is travelling. "In lieu of anything better to do," as he explained, the Baron yielded Singapore once before, in 1923, when he was on a "real pleasure trip."—"Free Press."

FOR STREET SLEEPERS

The Street Sleepers' Shelter Society beg to acknowledge with grateful thanks the following donations:—

St. John's Cathedral Carol Concert Broadcast \$40.00
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ACCOMMODATION OVERTAXED

The following is a report of the number of sleepers who occupied the shelter during the seven nights (10th to 16th inclusive):—
St. Peter's (West Point)—
Capacity—129 beds
Total sleepers—903
Turned away—19
Full every night
Po Yan Street (Central)—
Capacity—158 beds
Total sleepers—1139
Turned away—19
Every night the accommodation was overtaxed, in a few urgent cases the applicants being allowed to sleep on the floor; several applicants on four nights were turned away.
Nathan Road (Kowloon)—
Capacity—100 beds
Total sleepers—537
Largest number for a night was 87

4A—1st, Cheng Cheuk Tin; 2nd, Li King Yin.
4B—1st, Yung King Woon; 2nd, Ng Fat Cheung.
4C—1st, Wai Mo Kul; 2nd, Luk Shiu Ying.
5B—1st, Ng Kwok Ching; 2nd, Chak Yu Shum.
6A—1st, Li Chiu Yuen; 2nd, Lau Koon Fai.
6B—1st, Kwong Yim Cheong; 2nd, Chan Yim Kan.
7A—1st, Lai Sau Pui; 2nd, Chai Nai Tsang.
7B—1st, Wong Shiu Kwan; 2nd, Chiu Hung Fan.
7C—1st, Tsoi Kam Kong; 2nd, Cheung Tai Fung.
8A—1st, Fung Kam Wa; 2nd, Tse Sik Lam.
8B—1st, Chiu Ka Shiu; 2nd, Wong Che Yung.
8C—1st, Chau Yee Tai; 2nd, Lai Che Shing.

TAIKOO CLUB DANCE

Successful Annual Function

An atmosphere of utmost conviviality prevailed at the Taikoo Club last night when the Club held its annual dance at which there were over 250 people present.

The committee spared no efforts to make the occasion one of the best they had produced as yet, and it was quite apparent that every one present last night went home feeling that they had spent a most enjoyable evening, and were unanimous in their praise of the Taikoo Club's hospitality.

The Club itself presented a very picturesque sight with the many electrical illuminations, but that was not all; the ball room too looked extremely pretty. The whole hall was decorated with balloons, streamers and paper hangings and coupled with the many beautiful evening creations worn by the ladies, added splendour to the occasion.

It was rather unfortunate that Mr. C. O. Knight, President of the Club, was not able to attend owing to indisposition, but Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Greig and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips were present with their families.

Supper was served in the "Supper Room" from 9 p.m. onwards, the catering being in the able hands of the Hong Kong Hotel.

Shortly after 9 p.m. the band of the Hong Kong Hotel, so familiar to most of us, struck up "Broadway Rhythm" and from then onwards couples tripped the light fantastic to the strains of all the popular numbers.

We must not forget to mention that much of the success of last night's dance was due to the untiring efforts of the Secretary of the Club, Mr. C. H. Summers, who had devoted a great deal of his time towards making the dance such a success.

Others who took active part in various directions were:—
Reception and Bar: Messrs. D. Bone, A. McArthur and C. Summers.
Dance: Messrs. R. M. Keown

WINDY DAY FOR CRICKET

New Zealand Fare Badly

Wellington, Jan. 16.—The second unofficial Test match between the M.C.C. and New Zealand was marred by rain and had to close two hours before time.

New Zealand won the toss and took the wicket which appeared to be easy, but a strong wind bothered the batsmen as the balls were being continually blown off. They lost seven wickets for 170.

Parks took full advantage of the windy conditions and his average at the close was 4 for 32. Lytleton is leading the M.C.C. team as Holmes is not playing owing to a bruised hand.

(Convenor), J. A. Watson, T. Stainton and R. Wright.
Decorations: Messrs. J. Polson (Convenor), S. Pollock, A. W. Norris, B. T. Cunningham and T. McIntyre.

Supper: Messrs. S. Pollock (Convenor) and J. Wald.

MUSIC PROGRAMME

Dancing continued till 2 a.m., and the various numbers were thoroughly enjoyed by the crowd. The programme was as follows:—
1. Fox Trot ... Broadway Rhythm
2. Fox Trot ... Quarter to Nine
3. Waltz

The Words are in my Heart
4. Fox Trot, I wished on the Moon
5. Paul Jones Medley
6. Waltz, Let me sing you to sleep
7. Fox Trot
8. Fox Trot I'm in the Mood for Love
9. Fox Trot Top Hat
10. Fox Trot, You're my Lucky Star
11. Waltz Rose in her Hair
12. Fox Trot
13. I've got a feelin' you're roolin'
14. Fox Trot The Lady in Red
15. Fox Trot Outside of You
16. Highland Scottische Pipers
17. Waltz Speak to me of Love
18. Fox Trot, Sing before Breakfast
19. Fox Trot
20. Waltz Song of the Island

Colonel Bogey
14. Fox Trot The Lady in Red
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WRITES POEM ON DEATHBED

Found Life Good

Rugby, Dec. 27.—Eighty-five-year-old Mrs. Emily Eckersley felt she had not long to live when she had to take to her bed a few weeks ago.

So she called to her nurse one morning for pen and paper. Sitting propped up in bed, she wrote a six-verse poem, and called it "Faith and Love."

She died yesterday. These are the first and last verses of Mrs. Eckersley's poem:—
"Since every year must bear away
Something of hope, of youth and pleasure;
Twere wise to banish thought,
They say,
And never stop old time to measure."

So come the years to me and mine,
With peace, and hope, and high endeavour;
Faith, that each year shall brighter shine,
And love that sure will last for ever."

Her nurse said to-day: "She wrote the poem one morning quite suddenly."

NO RELATIVES

Mrs. Eckersley lived for years in a beautiful old house in Whitehall Road, Rugby, with two maids who had been with her for twenty-five years, writes a "Daily Express" correspondent.

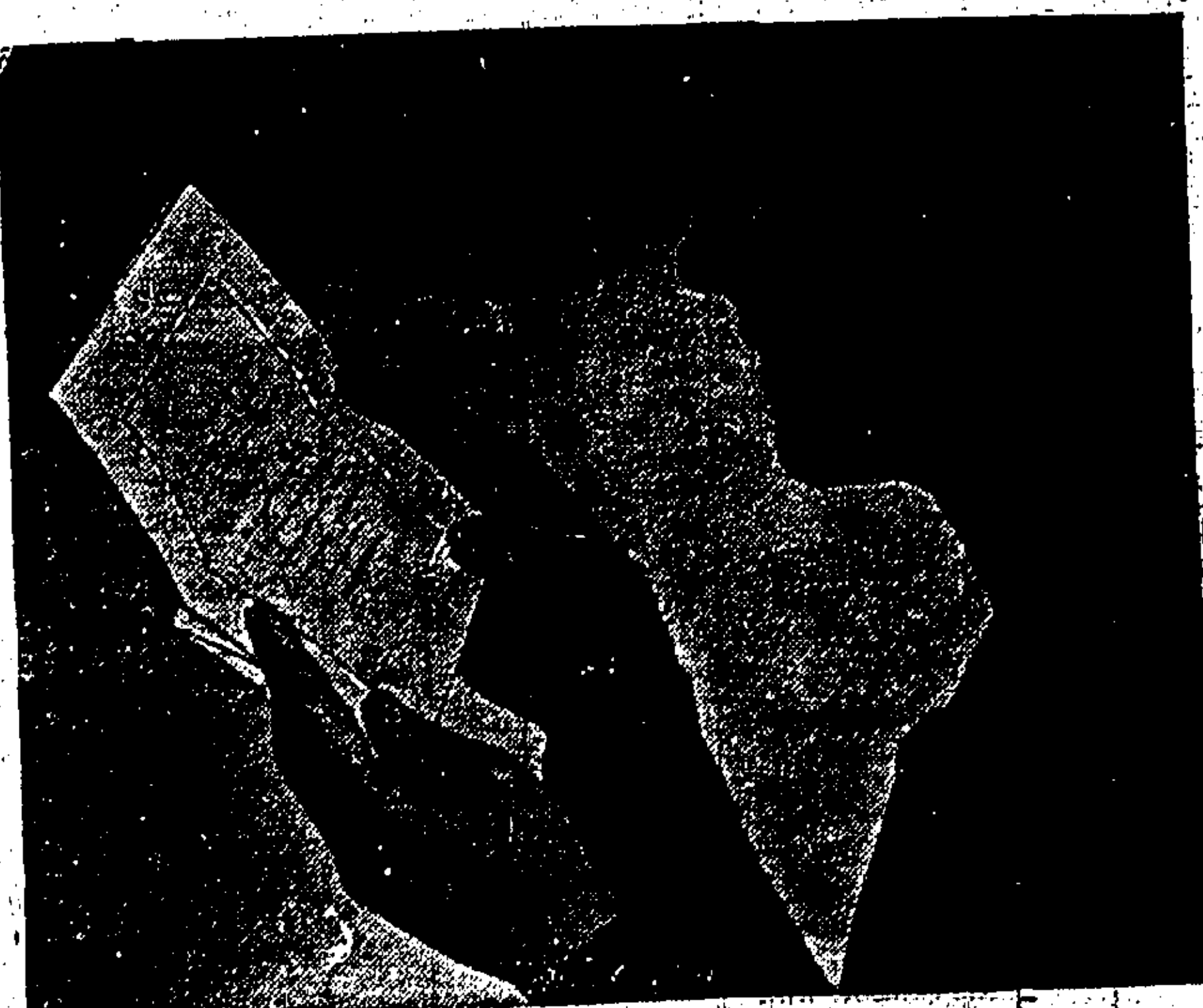
She had no relatives, but many friends. She has left all her money and personal belongings to those friends.

One told me: "She died of old age. She had a marvellous brain, and wrote several novels under the name 'Charlotte Edinburgh.'"

"One of her novels, a Victorian romance called 'Lost and Found,' was published last month."

"She wrote it seven years ago; then suddenly decided that she would like to see it published before she died."

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17th January, 1936.

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SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The R.M.S. "Empress of Japan" arrived at Shanghai on the 18th January (Thursday) at 5.30 p.m. and left Shanghai yesterday at 1 p.m. She is due at Kobe on the 19th January (to-morrow) at 6.00 a.m., leaves Kobe on the same day at 4.00 p.m. and leaves Yokohama for Honolulu, Victoria and Vancouver on the 21st January (Tuesday) at 3.00 p.m.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" (from Manila) is due here at 7.00 a.m. on the 22nd January (Wednesday), and will berth at Kowloon Wharf. She will leave the wharf at 9.00 a.m. the same day for Taikoo Dock for annual overhaul.

The N.D.L. s.s. "Friderun" will arrive here on the 21st instant instead of 23rd instant (Melchers & Co., Agents).

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BUYERS

Antamoks, \$14.
Baguio Gold, 18 cts.
Gold Rivers, 61 cts.
Hotels, \$54.
Land Debitures, \$100.
Providents (old), \$2.
Trams, \$14.10.
Peak Trams (old), \$54.
Star Ferries, \$92.
Yammat Ferries, \$19.
Lights (old), \$11.15.
Lights (new), \$7.80.
Electricity, \$734.
Telephones (old), \$26.60.
Telephones (new), \$10.10.
Canton Ice, \$1.65.
Ropes, \$5.40.
Dairy Farms, \$21.70.
Entertainments, \$44.
Constructions (old), \$1.60.
Watsons, \$4.70.

SALES

Unions, \$565.
Trams, \$14.10.
Electricity, \$734.
Telephones (new), \$10.20.

BERLIN SHARE MARKET

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).]
Berlin, Jan. 16.

With the buoyancy which prevailed on the sharemarket on Thursday, both operators and the public were buying briskly so that most of the standard shares showed appreciable advances. Most of the mining shares rose more than one point. Fixed Interest Securities were sluggish, offer being small but demand was even more restricted. This partly accounted for the fact that the subscription list to the 4th German Railway Treasury bonds closed on Thursday making a prior claim on the market. The result is said to have quite equalled expectations.

Call Money was at 2 to 2 1/2 Young Loan weakened 1/2 to 103 1/2, Reichsbank improved 1/2 to 103 1/2, Drey-

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(BARTER WIRELESS SERVICE)

	January 15.	January 16.
Paris	74 61/64	74 61/64
Geneva	15.20	15.20
Berlin	12.29	12.29
Athens		61 1/2
Milan		1/2 1/2
Shanghai	4.98 1/2	4.98 1/2
New York	7.27 1/2	7.27 1/2
Amsterdam		
Vienna	119 1/2	
Prague		687 8.
Bucharest		
Madrid		
Lisbon	1/3 1/2	
Hong Kong	29.31	29.30
Brussels		
Montevideo		
Belgrade	4.97	4.96 1/2
Montreal		
Yokohama		
Helsingfors		
Rio		
Buenos Aires	20 1/16	19 1/2
Silver (Spot)		
Silver (forward)	3 1/4 106 1/16	3 1/4 106
War Loan		

Closing Quotations

January 17, 1936.		On New York:	
On London:		Bank Bills, on demand 32	
Telegraphic Transfer...	1 3/4	Credits, 60 days' sight 33	
Bank Bills, on demand		On demand	46 1/2
Bank Bills, 4 months		On demand	46 1/2
eight	1/3 1/2	On demand	46 1/2
Credits, four months	1/4 1/2	On demand	46 1/2
sight	1/4 1/2	On demand	46 1/2
On SHANGHAI:		On demand	46 1/2
On demand	106 1/2	On demand	46 1/2
On SINGAPORE:		On demand	46 1/2
On demand	55	On demand	46 1/2
On JAPAN:		On demand	46 1/2
On demand	110 1/2	On demand	46 1/2
On INDIA:		On demand	46 1/2
Telegraphic Transfer...	86 1/2	On demand	46 1/2
Bank, on demand		On demand	46 1/2

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuters Agency)

QUOTATIONS

New York, January 17.

	High	Low	Last	Close	Change
New York/London Cross-rate	11.35	11.18	11.35	11.35	1/2 off
New York Cotton—Mar.	14.54	14.48	14.54	14.54	1/2 up
New York Rubber—Mar.	10 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	1/2 up
Chicago Wheat—May.	60 1/2	59 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2	1/2 up
Chicago Corn—May.	60 1/2	59 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2	1/2 up
Silver—Official					1/2 off

Dow Jones Averages	High—1834/35	Low: Jan. 15	Jan. 16	Change
30 Industrials	144.44	143.68	143.68	58 up
30 Rail	43.91	43.71	43.71	58 up
30 Utilities	31.30	31.25	31.25	52 up
40 Bonds	100.78	100.65	100.78	57 up
11 Commodity Index	62.10	62.40	62.40	unchanged

Business Done:—3,114,000 shares.

Stock & Div.	Jan. 15 Jan. 16	Stock & Div.	Jan. 15 Jan. 16
Adams Express	111 1/2 111	Gold Dust (1.20)	20 1/2 20 1/2
Amer. Can. (4)	131 131 1/2	Goodyear	23 1/2 23 1/2
Am. Cyanamid "B"		Int. Cement	
(25.00)	34 1/2 34 1/2	Int. Nick (50)	46 1/2 46 1/2
Am. For. Pwr. \$7 1/2	8 8 1/2	Int. Tel. & Tel.	15 1/2 15 1/2
Am. For. Pwr. \$7 1/2		Johns Manville	
Pf.		Kennecott (150)	29 1/2 29 1/2
Am. Locomotive	27 27 1/2	Loew's (1)	51 1/2 51 1/2
Am. Radiator	28 1/2 28 1/2	Lorill (1.20)	25 1/2 25 1/2
Am. Smelting	60 1/2 61	Mont. Ward	36 1/2 36 1/2
Am. T. and T. (9)	159 1/2 160 1/2	Nat. City Bk. (1)	39 1/2 39 1/2
Am. T. and T. (9)	159 1/2 160 1/2	Nat. Da P. (1.20)	23 1/2 23 1/2
Am. Water Works (1)	22 1/2 22 1/2	Nat. Distillers	28 1/2 28 1/2
Am. Waterworks \$6		Nat. Pwr. Lt. (80)	30 30 1/2
pref. (6)		N.Y. Central	30 30 1/2
Anascond Copper	28 1/2 29 1/2	N. Amer. (50c 4 1/2)	27 1/2 27 1/2
Auch. T. and S. P.		Pac. Gas (150)	33 34 1/2
(2nd.)		Pac. Lng. (3)	
Auburn Automobile	43 1/2 44 1/2	Packaging Motors	7 1/2 7 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	24 1/2 24 1/2	Penn. Rly. (1)	35 34 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	41 1/2 41 1/2	Penn. Rly. (1)	39 1/2 39 1/2
Borg-Warner	98 98 1/2	Pub. Ser. N.J. (280)	47 1/2 48
Borden Co. (160)		Radio Corp.	132 131 1/2
Borg-Warner (1dr.)		Rev. Tob "B" (3)	
Case	99 98	Schenley	
Canadian Pacific	111 111 1/2	Sears Roebuck	57 1/2 57 1/2
Caterpillar Tract		Soc. Vac. (50)	61 1/2 61 1/2
Ch. Nat. Bk. (1.40)	43 1/2 44 1/2	Srn. Cal. Ed. (1.50)	16 1/2 16 1/2
C. P. Corp. (2.50)	67 66	Southern Pacific	27 28 1/2
C. P. Corp. (2.50)		Stan. Brands (1)	26 1/2 26 1/2
Ohio (2.80)	54 54 1/2	Stan. Gas	16 1/2 16 1/2
Chrysler (1d)	88 87 1/2	Sta. Oil N.J. (1)	7 1/2 8
Col. Gas & Elec.	14 1/2 15	Ster. Pro. (2.80)	67 66 1/2
Comm. Solv. (60)	94 1/2 95 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	
Comm. Strm.	34 34	Texas G. Sulp. (2)	35 34 1/2
Comm. Strm. \$8		Transamerica (1.12)	25 1/2 25 1/2
Cum. P. (1)	32 33 1/2	Un. Car. and Carb	
Cum. P. (1)		(1.40)	74 74 1/2
Cum. Gas. N.Y. (2)		Un. Pac. Rlys. (6)	117 116 1/2
Cont. Oil (3)	36 35 1/2	Un. Alkali Corp.	29 1/2 27 1/2
Corn Prod (3)		Un. Air Line Trans.	14 14 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	55 1/2 55 1/2	United Corp.	7 1/2 7 1/2
Dug. Prod (2.60)	141 1/2 142	Univ. Leaf Tob. (2)	45 44 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	17 1/2 17 1/2	Unl. Gas Impr. (1.20)	18 1/2 18 1/2
Elec. Bond \$5 Pf (5)		U.S. Rubber	17 1/2 18
Elec. Bond \$5 Pf (5)	77 1/2 77 1/2	U.S. Steel	48 1/2 48 1/2
Fox Film "A"		Vandium	23 1/2 24
Gen. Elec. (40)	38 1/2 37 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	9 1/2 10 1/2
Gen. Foods (1.80)	35 1/2 35 1/2	West E. & M. (65)	98 1/2 98 1/2
Gen. Motors (1d)	55 1/2 55 1/2	Call Money	3 1/2 3 1/2
Gen. Rly. Egs (1)	41 1/2 42		

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trusts firm to 149, Salsedeturth 108 1/2, Siemenshalske advanced 1 to 108 1/2, Bemborg Rayn declined 1 to 103 1/2, Steel Trusts firm to 76, German Mineral Oils improved 1 to 103 1/2, Transocean Kuo Min.

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

The week under review witnessed another spurt in the market after the comparative dullness of the previous week. Trading was on a large scale and several stocks experienced phenomenal rises. Undoubtedly the increased dividend declared by our premier financial institution had a good psychological effect on the market and greatly contributed to the increased confidence manifested by the public.

Business Done during the Week
Hong Kong Banks, \$1520, \$1515, \$1520, \$1600, \$1620, \$1625, \$1615.

Canton Insurance, \$270.
Union Insurance, \$568, \$570.
Wharves (old), \$101, \$103, \$102 1/2.

Providents (old), \$170, \$195, \$2
Hotels, \$5.30, \$5.35, \$5.45.
Lands, \$36, \$35 1/2.

Humphreys, \$10.65.
H.K. Realities, \$5.70, \$5 1/2, \$5.80.

Tramways, \$14.00, \$14, \$13.90.
\$14.10, \$14.20, \$14.15, \$14
\$14.15.

Star Ferries, \$91.
China Lights (old), \$10.20, \$10 1/2, \$10.40.

\$10.40, \$10.45, \$10 1/2, \$10.60
\$10.70, \$10.65, \$11, \$11.10, \$11.20.
China Lights (new), \$7.20, \$7.40.

\$7.45, \$7 1/2, \$7.60.
Electricity, \$99 1/2, \$70, \$70 1/2, \$71.
\$71 1/2, \$71 1/2, \$72, \$74.

Telephones (old), \$23 1/2, \$28.
\$26.10, \$26.15, \$26 1/2, \$26 1/2.
Telephones (new), \$10.20, \$10.10, \$10.20.

Cement, \$7.50, \$8, \$8.10, \$8 1/2, \$8.80, \$9, \$9.35, \$9.20.

H.K. Ropes, \$4.50, \$4.55, \$5.
Dairy Farms, \$21.10, \$21.30, \$21 1/2.
Watsons, \$4.65, \$4.80, \$4.90.

Sinceres, \$2.20.
Entertainments, \$4.
Rauba, \$10.70, \$10.85, \$10 1/2.

Ewo Cottons, Sh. \$3 1/2.
Changes (3.15 p.m.) Closing

Quotations
BUYERS

Providents (old), \$2.
Providents (new), 30 cts.
Hotels, \$54.

H.K. Realities, \$5.70.
Star Ferries, \$92 1/2.
China Lights (old), \$11.15.

China Lights (new), \$8.
Electricity, \$73 1/2.
Telephones (old), \$26.90.

H.K. Ropes, \$5 1/2.
Watsons, \$4.85.
Antamoks, \$11.

SALES
H.K. Banks, \$1615/1625.
Providents (old), \$195/2.

Hotels, \$3.45.
H.K. Realities, \$5 1/2, \$5.80.
H.K. Tramways, \$14.10, \$14.15.

China Lights (old), \$11.10/11.20.
Electricity, \$72, \$74.
Telephones (old), \$26.

Telephones (new), \$10.20.
Cement, \$9.20.
Dairy Farms, \$21 1/2.

Watsons, \$4.80.
Rauba, \$10 1/2.

THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

Spot silver dropped 3/16 yesterday making the quotation 19 1/2 but there was no forward rate. Advances received reported India as having bought. Speculators sold. After the official fixing the market was weak. The American Treasury took part of the offerings at the fixed rate. There were sellers later at 3/16ths under the quoted rate but no buyers.

In America the rate dropped 1 cent to 48 1/2 for spot.
The London/New York cross-rate dropped 3/4 to 4.98 and the New York/London rate dropped 1 1/2 to 155 1/2.

MARKET
Opened uncertain for near delivery but there was some demand for forward delivery. Later the market eased off for forward deliveries but the cash rate remained steady.

STERLING
Business was done shortly after the opening at 1/3 11/16 for cash followed by transactions at 1/3 1/2 for January, 1/3 1/2 for February and 1/3 1/2 for March. Later offers at 1/3 1/2 were accepted for April and March and 1/3 1/2 was also arranged for February delivery. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 1/3 1/2 for January to Chinese New Year, 1/3 1/2 for February and 1/3 1/2 for March and probably April buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

U.S. DOLLARS
Opened with sellers at 32 1/2 for near with business done subsequently at 32 1/2 for January and 32 1/2 for February. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 32 1/2 for January to Chinese New Year, 32 1/2 for January and 32 1/2 for February and buyers at 1/8 higher respectively.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS
Sellers were quoted at 108 1/2 for cash.

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OUTWARD SAILINGS

† m.v. "LEVERKUSEN" for Shanghai, Dairen, Kobe, Osaka, Yama, Nagoya, 20th Jan.
* s.s. "PREUSSEN" for Shanghai, Dairen, Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama, Nagoya, 3rd Feb.
m.v. "RHEINLAND" for Shanghai, Dairen, Kobe, Osaka, Yama, Nagoya, 10th Feb.

HOMEWARD SAILINGS

† m.v. "DUISBURG" for M'les, Antwerp, R'dam, Hamburg, 25th Jan.
m.v. "RUHR" for M'les, Antwerp, R'dam, Hamburg, 8th Feb.
† m.v. "LEVERKUSEN" for M'les, R'dam, Hamburg, 17th Feb.

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E/Canada	Feb. 11	Feb. 13	Feb. 16	Feb. 16	Feb. 18	Feb. 25	Mar. 1
E/Russia	Feb. 26	Feb. 28	Mar. 1	Mar. 3	Mar. 5	Mar. 14	Mar. 14
E/Japan	Mar. 8	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 24	Mar. 24
E/Asia	Mar. 30	Mar. 32	Mar. 34	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	April 6	April 6
E/Canada	April 3	April 5	April 8	April 10	April 12	April 17	April 17
E/Russia	April 17	April 19	April 21	April 23	April 25	May 4	May 4
E/Japan	May 1	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 10	May 19	May 19
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23	June 1	June 1
E/Canada	May 29	May 31	June 3	June 5	June 7	June 17	June 17
E/Russia	June 12	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20	June 29	June 29
E/Japan	June 26	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 5	July 14	July 14
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18	July 27	July 27

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HIYE MARU (Starts from Kobe) Tuesday, 15th Feb.

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KASHIMA MARU ... Saturday, 1st Feb.
YASUKUNI MARU ... Friday, 14th Feb.

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KITANO MARU ... Saturday, 22nd Feb.

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MAYEBAH MARU ... Tuesday, 24th Jan.
MURORAN MARU ... Thursday, 30th Jan.
GINYO MARU ... Tuesday, 11th Feb.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.
HEIYO MARU ... Tuesday, 4th Feb.

NEW YORK via Panama.
NAGARA MARU ... Saturday, 8th Feb.
NOJIMA MARU ... Thursday, 5th Mar.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piræus.
Genoa and Valencia.
DUBAN MARU ... Saturday, 18th Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
TOKUSHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 29th Jan.
TSUSHIMA MARU ... Saturday, 8th Feb.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
ANYO MARU ... Monday, 27th Jan.

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Shipping News

Daily Statement. Clearances.
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Q SHIP FOR CHINA

Vessel To Set Trap For Pirates

In an ingenious effort to rid neighbouring seas of the pirates who infest them, the Chinese Government has bought the Sunderland steamer Ullema for £14,000 and has had her fitted in the River Wear for duty as a "mystery ship." Her hatch covers have been greatly enlarged and fitted with davits which, at a signal, will enable a squadron of armoured speedboats to be raised to her innocent-looking decks and sent to wreak havoc among any unlucky pirate-vessels tempted to approach too near.

The Ullema is proceeding to Shanghai. She has been converted to her thrilling role by Messrs. Austin and Sons, Ltd., of Sunderland.

ARRIVALS

17TH JANUARY.

Katori Maru, Japanese steamer, 5,128 tons, Captain B. Masukura, from Shanghai, buoy No. A4-N. Y. K.
Hydrangea, British steamer, 561 tons, Captain P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf, Chiu On & Co.
Selstan, British steamer, 1,571 tons, Captain R. C. Greer, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf, Douglas & Co.
Hushan, Chinese steamer, 2,377 tons, Captain Torgersen, from Keelung, Wanchai-Wallem & Co.
Emp. of Canada, British steamer, 12,311 tons, Captain A. J. Hosken, from Vancouver via Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf—C. P. R.
Hakone Maru, Japanese steamer, 5,306 tons, Captain T. Kurita, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—N. Y. K.
Pres. Jefferson, American steamer, 8,443 tons, Captain A. O. Lustie, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—American Mail Line.
Tal Lee, Chinese steamer, 1,046 tons, Captain H. Makl, from Lunzup via Dairen, buoy No. B11—Yee Tai Hong.
Senshin Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,388 tons, Captain S. Kitazato, from Tsingtao, buoy No. B23—D. K. K.
Luohow, British steamer, 1,221 tons, Captain C. Harris-Walker, from Tientsin via Swatow, buoy No. C2—Butterfield and Swire.
Behar, British steamer, 2,910 tons, Captain S. F. Champion, from Shanghai, buoy No. A3—M. M. & Co.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following list of ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong Radio yesterday:

President Jefferson, Naruto Maru, Empress of Japan, Empress of Canada, President Monroe.

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN).

The freight returns, received from the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday show a fairly high tonnage movement, a large proportion of which being contributed by British ships.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 8,314 tons, with British steamers carrying 641 tons. Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 17,231 tons, of which 6,564 tons were carried by British steamers. Asiatic deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were 977, of which 226 were from British steamers.

There were altogether 13 arrivals, of which 4 were of British registry, the remainder being of the other nationalities, while of the 8 departures, only one was British ships, the rest being of other different countries. Particulars as follows:

Nationality Ships Tonnage

British 4 7,205

America 1 3,800

French 1 930

Danish 1 10

Norwegian 1 4,570

Japanese 2 5,940

Chinese 3 2,090

Total 13 25,545

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

WHARVES.

Kowloon—President Jefferson, Empress of Canada, Kum Sang and Kitano Maru.
Dunlop—H. M. S. Orpheus, Tai Suen Hong, Stoifviken, Taiyo Maru, Hong Hsiang, Yehow, Chengtu, Szechuen and Chungking.

DOCKS.

Kowloon—Hin Sang and Emp. of Asia.
Taku—H. M. S. Orpheus, Tai Suen Hong, Stoifviken, Taiyo Maru, Hong Hsiang, Yehow, Chengtu, Szechuen and Chungking.

BUOYS.

No. A1—Taima.
No. A2—Behar.
No. A3—City of Hereford.
No. A4—Talthybius.
No. B3—Mulsam.
No. B4—Hellas.
No. B5—Hozan Maru.
No. E10—Lyceum.
No. B11—Tai Lee.
No. B12—Prosper.
No. B14—Kwei Yang.
No. B16—Klungchow.
No. B17—Hui Lee.
No. B23—Senshin Maru.
No. B25—Tonler.
No. B26—Hwa Shan.
No. C1—Canton.
No. C2—Luchow.

Tai Ping Yang, Senshin Maru, Hakone Maru, Afrika, Tai Yuan, Chichibu Maru and Victoria.

SALVING DANISH STEAMER

Success Attends Famous Shipmasters' Efforts

The steamer Elisabeth, of Copenhagen, was refloated recently from a reef at Johnston's Point, Campbelltown, Argylshire. The Elisabeth had been on the rocks for over a month. The work with 250 tons of bunker coal—which had been proceeding for the past 10 days was difficult and dangerous owing to the rocks, currents and gales.

The combination of tide and wind was such as might not occur again for many months, and after Elisabeth had been pulled into deep water, her pumps were set going to correct a list to starboard. She was badly holed forward.

Two well-known shipmasters co-operated in the salvage, Captain C. G. Bonner, V.C., D.S.O., R.N.R., who is in command of the salvage tug Bulger, of Leith, served in "mystery ships" under Rear Admiral Gordon Campbell, V.O. Captain Bonner, then a Lieutenant, was wounded in the fight between the Q-boat Duhaven and the German submarine U71, and for their gallantry on that occasion he and Petty Officer Ernest Pitcher, who was also wounded, received the Victoria Cross.

Captain Gabe, who represented the Glen and Witzke Insurance Corporation during the salvage operations, is a diesel engine pioneer.

MEN-OF-WAR IN PORT

The following warships were in port yesterday—North Wall—Regulus and Regent.

East Wall—Herald, Orpheus and Rainbow.
North Arm—Dorsetshire, Bruce and Duesch.
West Wall Dock—Kent.
In Dock—Robin and Paimouth. Cosmopolitan Dock—Parthian.

FOREIGN

The H.M.S. Medway and five S.M.s. arrived Hong Kong this afternoon from Singapore.

CLEARANCES

17TH JANUARY.

Kitano Maru, for Yokohama
Shun Fong, for Samarra
Prosper, for Saigon
Tonler, for Canton
Empress of Canada, for Manila
Hydrangea, for Swatow
Canton, for Haiphong
Taima, for Singapore
Hui Lee, for Swatow
Klungchow, for Holbow
Hakone Maru, for Shanghai
City of Hereford, for Shanghai

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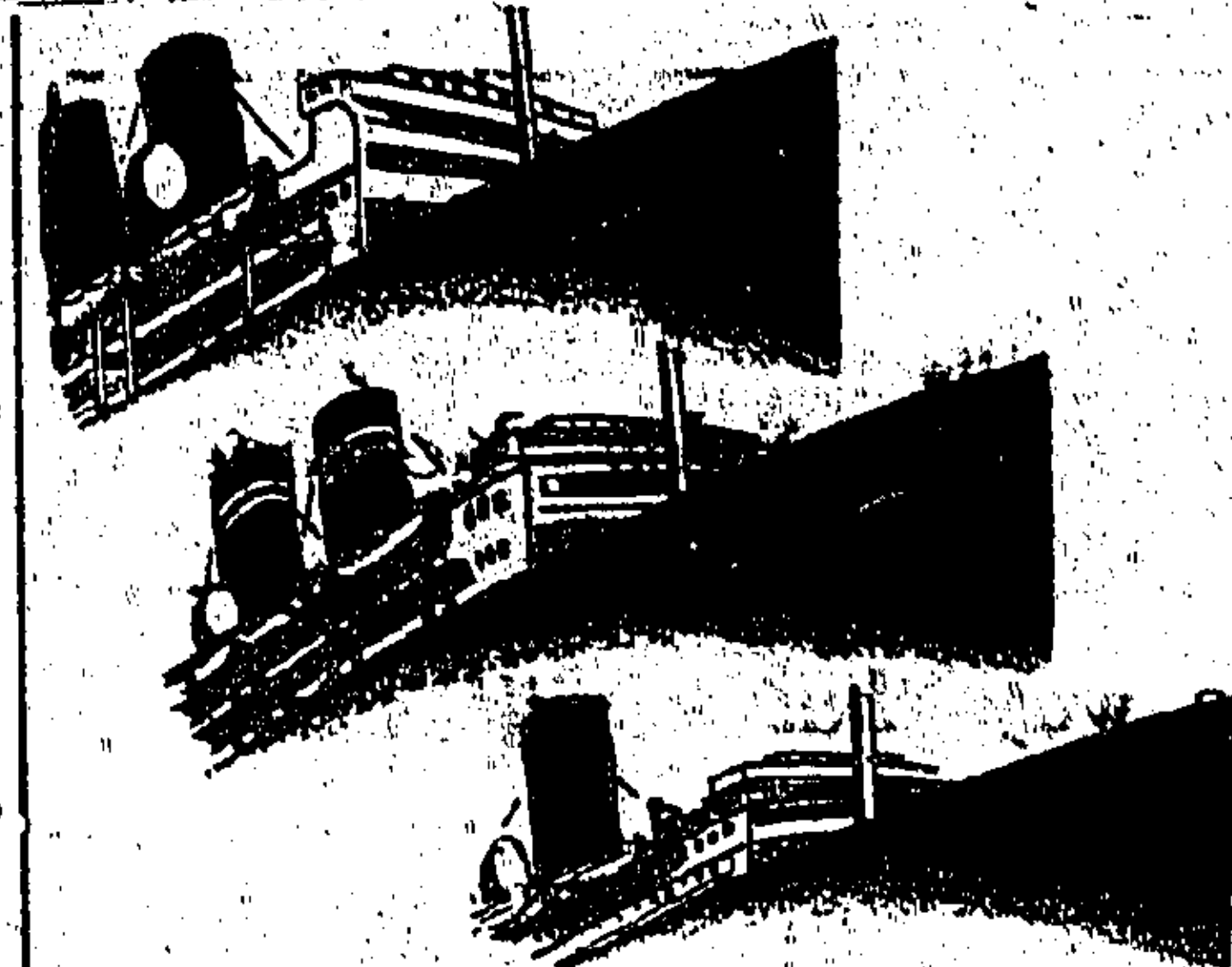
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RAJPUTANA	17,000	25th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
SOUDAN	7,000	1st Feb.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
CHITRAL	15,000	8th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
JEYPORE	6,000	18th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
OATHAY	15,000	22nd Feb.	Marseilles & London.
BURDWAN	6,000	28th Feb.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	7th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CORFU	14,500	21st Mar.	Marseilles & London.
SOMALI	8,000	28th Mar.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RANCHI	17,000	4th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
BANGALORE	7,000	20th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
CANTHAGE	17,000	2nd May	Marseilles & London.

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SIRDHANA	8,000	31st Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta.
SHIRALA	8,000	14th Feb.	
TILAWA	10,000	29th Feb.	
SANTHA	8,000	14th Mar.	
TALMA	10,000	28th Mar.	

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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS

YELLERE	1,000	1st Feb.	Manila, Sasebo, Brisbane
TAMBA	7,000	8th Feb.	Sydney, Melbourne & Hobart
NANKIN	7,000	15th Feb.	

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

SHIRALA	8,000	24th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
CARLY	15,000	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Yokohama & Yokohama
BURDWAN	6,000	29th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
TAMBA	7,000	6th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
TILAWA	10,000	21st Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
RAWALPINDI	17,000	7th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan
SOMALI	8,000	14th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan
SANTHA	8,000	21st Mar.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan

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